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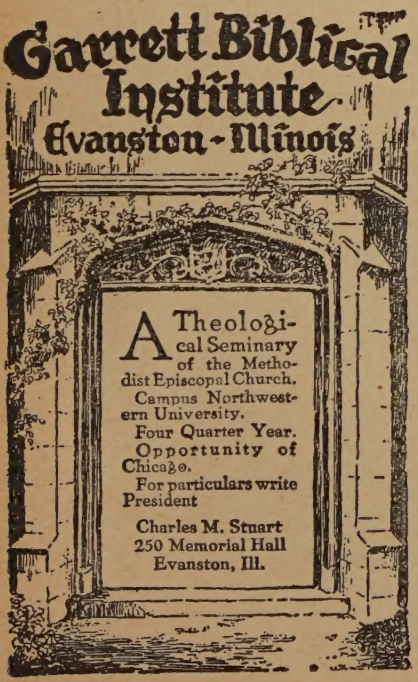
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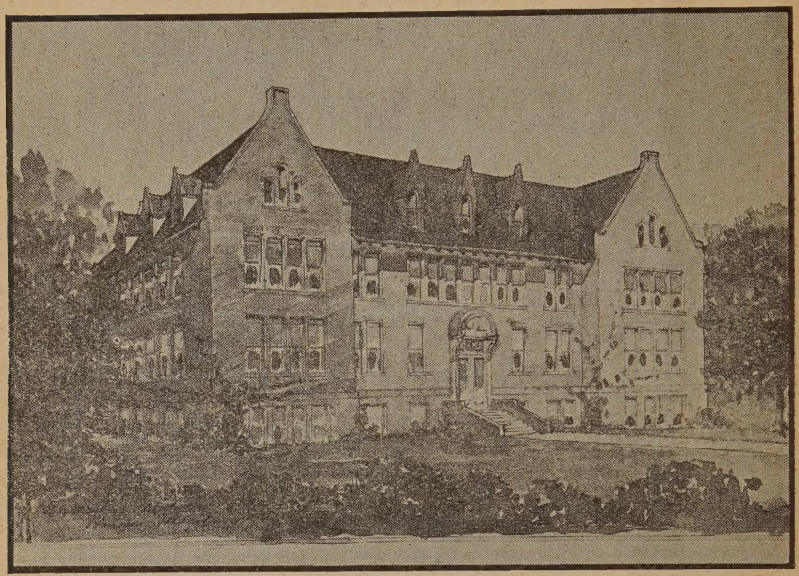

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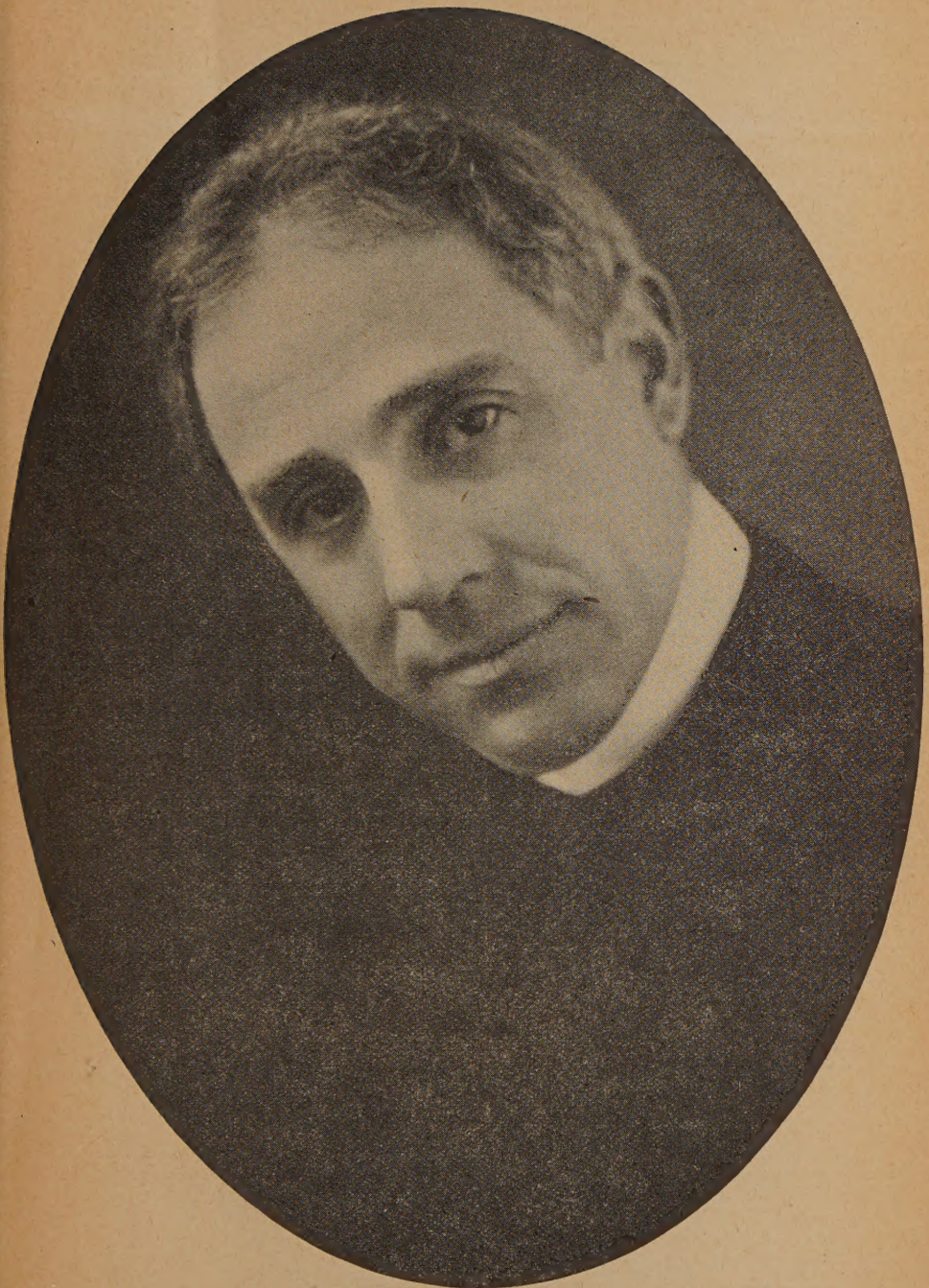

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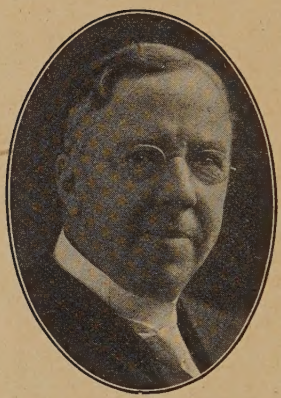

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I. Chronology, Membership, Etc.

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ROCKY MOUNTAIN CONFERENCE

Year	Day		PLACE	BISHOP	SECRETARY
1872	August	2	Salt Lake City, Utah	Foster	J. M. Jameson
1873	July	31	Salt Lake City, Utah	Peck	D. G. Strong
1874	August	13	Salt Lake City, Utah	Bowman	D. G. Strong
1875	August	12	Salt Lake City, Utah	Haven	D. G. Strong
1876	July	27	Helena, Mont.	Harris	F. A. Riggin

MONTANA MISSION

1877	August	2	Bozeman	Bowman	L. W. B. Long
1878	August	2	Virginia City	Andrews	Hugh Duncan
1879	July	3	Butte	Merrill	W. C. Shippen
1880	July	23	Virginia City	Wiley	George Comfort
1881	July	21	Helena	Wiley	George Comfort
1882	July	21	Bozeman	Hurst	George Comfort
1883	August	15	Butte	Wiley	George Comfort
1884	September	25	Helena	Fowler	George Comfort
1885	July	9	Bozeman	Walden	George Comfort
1886	July	8	Dillon	Harris	W. A. Shannon

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1887	August	17	Butte	Foster	W. A. Shannon
1888	July	12	Missoula	Joyce	George Comfort
1889	July	4	Helena	Goodsell	George C. Stull
1890	July	24	Livingston	Vincent	George C. Stull
1891	July	20	Great Falls	Bowman	George C. Stull
1892	August	4	Anaconda	Walden	George C. Stull
1893	August	10	Bozeman	Fowler	George C. Stull
1894	August	9	Butte, Mountain View	Joyce	Phillip Lowry
1895	August	22	Helena, St. Paul's	Ninde	Phillip Lowry
1896	August	13	Dillon	Warren	Phillip Lowry
1897	August	13	Butte, Trinity	Cranston	George D. King
1898	August	11	Anaconda	Mallalieu	George D. King
1899	August	9	Livingston	Joyce	George D. King
1900	August	8	Helena, St. Paul's	Fowler	George D. King
1901	August	7	Missoula	Fowler	George D. King
1902	August	7	Bozeman	Merrill	L. H. Mickel
1903	August	13	Livingston	McCabe	L. H. Mickel
1904	August	24	Butte, Grace	Berry	L. H. Mickel
1905	August	16	Dillon	Moore	L. H. Mickel
1906	August	16	Billings	Cranston	L. H. Mickel
1907	August	21	Anaconda	Moore	George D. King
1908	August	20	Miles City	McDowell	George D. King
1909	August	25	Butte, Mountain View	Spellmeyer	C. E. Miller
1910	August	24	Helena, St. Paul's	McIntyre	George D. King
1911	August	21	Billings	Nuelsen	Edward L. Mills
1912	August	21	Missoula	Luccock	Paul M. Adams
1913	August	20	Bozeman	Luccock	Paul M. Adams
1914	August	26	Forsyth	Luccock	Paul M. Adams
1915	August	18	Butte	McConnell	Paul M. Adams
1916	August	16	Livingston	Cooke	Paul M. Adams
1917	August	22	Billings	Hamilton	Paul M. Adams
1918	August	21	Dillon	Shepard	Jno. M. Whitley
1919	August	20	Glendive	Cooke	Charles Rhodes
1920	August	25	Helena, St. Paul's	Burns	Charles Rhodes

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EFFECTIVE ELDERS	ADDRESS	Admitted on Trial in an Annual Conference		Received into Full Membership		Years Supernumerary	When Retired
		Where	When	Conference	When		
Adams, Paul M.	Helena	Montana	1902	Montana	1904		
Barker, Thos. H.	Drummond	Montana	1904	Montana	1906		
Bartlett, Edw. C.	Red Lodge	Upper Iowa	1902	Transfer	1909		
Bovard, Chas. L.	Helena (Dist. Supt.)	S. E. Indiana	1902	Transfer	1899		
Carter, Geo. M.		Montana	1915	Montana	1917		
Chappell, Harry E.	Baker	Puget Sound	1915	Transfer	1917		
Chirgwin, John	833 Broadway, Helena	Montana	1905	Montana	1907		
Crouch, Charles D.	12 S. Ewing, Helena	Montana	1899	Montana	1901		
Cooper, Harry M.	Fairview	Des Moines	1908	Transfer	1912		
Cunningham, C. E.	Sheridan	Arkansas	1886	Transfer	1899		
Dann, W. G. R.	Townsend	Puget Sound	1910	Montana	1916		
		Transfer	1914				
Donaldson, Chas. M.	Helena	Minnesota	1905	Transfer	1918		
Fenton, C. E.	Clyde Park	N. W. Nebraska	.....	Transfer	1911		
Fulford, F. C.	2208 Yew St., McQ, Butte	Montana	1908	Montana	1910		
Hardie, Thomas	Miles City	Montana	1910	Montana	1912		
Humphrey, H. G.	Billings, (Dist. Supt.)	St. Louis	1901	Transfer	1915		
James, Henry A.	Livingston	N. W. Iowa	1884	Transfer	1895		
Kletzing, Russell R.		Wyoming State	.....	Transfer	1919		
Lacklen, Jesse	Missoula	N. Ohio	1907	Montana	1911		
Mecklenburg, George	Area Office, Helena	N. Montana	1911	Transfer	1913		
Meeke, John A.	Hardin	Montana	1904	Montana	1906	Three	
Miller, Thomas	Hamilton	N. Montana	1912	Transfer	1918		
Mills, Edward L.	Artisans Bldg., Portland, Ore.	Montana	1902				
Mitchell, J. H.	Room 263, No. 1, Madison Ave. New York City	Wilmington	.....	Transfer	1915		
Papa, J. M. A.	Chicago, Ill.			Credentials	1913		
Parkinson, W. A.	Walkerville	N. Minnesota	1904				
Pascoe, W. H.	971 North Main, Butte	St. Louis (M. E. South)	1895	Credentials	1903		
Pearson, K. O.							
Plummer, A. E.	Oakes St., Helena	Montana	1911	Montana	1913		
Ponath, O. G.	Laurel	N. Dakota	.....	Transfer	1917		
Randall, Joshua O.	315 N. Montana, Butte	Rock River	.....	Transfer	1919		
Reid, George	Helena	N. Montana	.....	Transfer	1919		
Rhodes, Charles	715 E. 2nd, Butte	England	1899	Montana	1911		
		Credentials	1908				
Ross, John G.	Glendive	N. Montana	1908	Montana	1913		
		Transfer	1909				

Smith, Edward	Dillon	Columbia River	1893	Transfer	1899		
Smith, R. P.	Bozeman	Montana	1895	Montana	1898		
Smith, W. C.	Ingomar) P. O. Forsyth	Columbia River	1896	Transfer	1915		
Stull. G. C.	U. S. Army	New Jersey	1882	Orig. Member	1887		
Spencer, F. T.	Whitehall	Montana	1905	Montana	1907		
Swisher, E. D.	Bridger	Cent. Illinois	1910	Montana	1913		
		Transfer	1912				
Welch, Arthur D.	Sidney	Upper Iowa	1899	Transfer	1918		
Whitford, Fred	Forsyth	Montana	1907	Montana	1909		
Wolfe, Chas. F.	Anaconda	Montana	1913	Montana	1915		
Wolfe, Geo. D.	Billings	Indiana	1880	Transfer	1910		
SUPERNUMERARY							
Latham, F. M.	Laurel	S. Illinois		Transfer	1917	Three	
Linger, F. O.	Park City	Montana	1909	Montana	1912	Three	
Stephens, G. J.		N. Dakota	1908	Transfer	1914	Three	
RETIRED							
Badcon, J. A.	3216 W. 67 St. Seattle, Wash.			Transfer	1904		1915
Calvert, W. H.	Wibaux, Mont.	Kentucky	1887	Transfer	1908		1919
Hosking, John	Deer Lodge, Mont.	Mont. Mission	1885	Orig. Member	1887		1910
Kershaw, Andrew	Route 1, Addy, Wash.			Transfer	1902		1911
King, Geo. D.	Whitehall, Mont.	Cent. Illinois	1880	Orig. Member	1887		1915
Mills, Jacob	Helena, Mont.	Mont. Mission	1882	Orig. Member	1887		1914
Morrison, A. P.	1107 W. 47 St., Los Angeles, Cal.			Transfer	1907		1911
Nutting, Wilder		Mont. Mission	1883	Orig. Member	1887		1920
Oliver, S. A.	Boise, Idaho	Detroit	1884	Transfer	1888		1915
Snider, S. E.	Box 74, McKeesport, Pa.	Upper Iowa	1872	Orig. Member	1887		1899
UNDER-GRADUATES							
Third Year							
Ortmayer, Louis L.	McAllister	Montana	1918	Montana	1920		
Rankin, Ira F.		Montana	1916	Montana	1920		
Trappolini, Amadeo		Newark	1916	Transfer	1917		
Second Year							
Peck, Aden T.	Park City	Montana	1917				
First Year							
Anstice, Fred	Philipsburg	Montana	1920				
Hannon, Cecil G.	Wilsall	Montana	1920				
Knudson, Carl	(Winston) P. O. Helena	Montana	1920				
Wampler, W. L.	(Clancy) P. O. Helena	Montana	1920				
Woods, Hubert W.	Joliet	Montana	1920				

The Secretary will welcome any corrections, or additions to this Directory.

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Methodist Review—K. O. Pearson.

IV Disciplinary Questions

1. **Is this Annual Conference Incorporated According to the Requirement of the Discipline?**
   It is.

2. **Who have been Received by Transfer, and from what Conference?**
   K. O. Pearson, Nebraska; George Reid, North Montana.

3. **Who have been Readmitted?**
   None.

4. **Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches?**
   None.

5. **Who have been Received on Trial?**
   (a) In Studies of First Year. Fred Anstice, Cecil G. Hannon, Carl Knudson, W. C. Wampler, Hubert W. Woods.
   (b) In Studies of Third Year under the Seminary Rule. None.

6. **Who have been Continued on Trial?**
   (a) In Studies of First Year. Martin Van Demark.
   (b) In Studies of Second Year. Aden T. Peck.
   (c) In Studies of Third Year. Amadeo Trappolino.
   (d) In Studies of Fourth Year. None.

7. **Who have been Discontinued.** None.

8. **Who have been admitted into Full Membership?**
   (a) Elected and Ordained Deeacons this year. Louis L. Ortmayer, Ira F. Rankin.
   (b) Elected and Ordained Deacons previously. None.

9. **What Members are in Studies of Third Year?**
   (a) Admitted into Full Membership this year. Louis L. Ortmayer, Ira. F. Rankin.
   (b) Admitted into Full Membership previously. None.

10. **What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year?**
    None.

11. **What Members have Completed the Conference Course of Study.**
    (a) Elected and Ordained Elders this year. Harry E. Chappell, George Reid.
    (b) Elected and Ordained Elders previously. None.
    (c) Elected and Ordained Elders under the Seminary Rule. None.

12. **What others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons?**
(a) As Local Preachers. Samuel Fletcher.
(b) Under Missionary Rule. None.
(c) Under the Seminary Rule. None.

13. **What others have been Elected and Ordained Elders?**
(a) As Local Deacons. None.
(b) Under Missionary Rule. None.

14. **Was the Character of each Preacher examined?**
This was strictly done in open Conference.

15. **Who have been Transferred, and to what Conferences?**
W. L. Greer, New Jersey (previously)
A. C. Hoover, Colorado (previously).
Henry C. Mecklenburg, North Montana.

16. **Who have Died?**
None.

17. **Who have been Located at their own Request?**
F. O. Kelley.

18. **Who have been Located?**
None.

19. **Who have Withdrawn?**
Thomas H. Martin.

20. **Who have been permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints?**
None.

21. **Who have been Expelled?**
None.

22. **What other personal Notation should be made?**
Thomas Miller was transferred from Northwest Kansas to Montana Conference in 1917. His relation to North Montana ceased in 1916.

23. **Who are the Supernumerary Ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this Relation?**
F. M. Latham (3), F. O. Linger (3), G. J. Stephens (3).

24. **Who are the Retired Ministers?**
J. A. Badcon, W. H. Calvert, John Hosking, Andrew Kershaw, Geo. D. King, Jacob Mills, A. P. Morrison, Wilder Nutting, S. A. Oliver, S. E. Snider.

25. **Who are the Triers of Appeals?**
Charles D. Crouch, Jacob Mills, R. P. Smith, C. M. Donaldson, E. C. Bartlett.

26. **What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension?**
See Report.

27. **What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Foreign Missions?**
See Centenary Report.

28. **What is the Statistical Report?**
See the Statistician's Report.

29. **What is the Conference Treasurer's Report?**
See the Conference Treasurer's Report.

30. (a) **What is the Aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer?**
$39,151.
(b) **What is the Aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the Annual Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer?**
$39,750.

31. **What are the Claims on the Conference Funds?**
For Annuity distribution, 398 years multiplied by the Disciplinary rate of $18.50 per year, $7,363. For Necessitous distribution, $1391. Total, $8,754.

32. (a) **What has been Received on these Claims?**
From the Book Concern, $886. From Annual Conference Investments, $125. From the Chartered Fund, $35. From Pastoral Charges, $2,869. From the Board of Conference Claimants, $500. Total, $4,415.
(b) **How has it been Applied?** See report of Conference Stewards.

33. **What amount has been apportioned to the Pastoral Charges within the Conference, to be raised for the Support of Conference Claimants?** (Par. 336.)
$6,817.

34. **What amount has been paid by the Conference Treasurer to the Board of Conference Claimants for Connectional Relief?**
$134.

35. **Where are the Preachers Stationed?**
See List of Appointments.

36. **Where shall the Next Conference be held?**
Anaconda.

V Appointments

Butte District

District Superintendent - - - - - Charles L. Bovard (5)
Anaconda - - - - - - - - - - Charles F. Wolfe (3)
Avon - - - - - - - - (Supplied by Wm. Koehler) (2)
Big Blackfoot - - - - - - - - - Samuel Fletcher (2)
Butte: Grace - - - - - - - - - Charles Rhodes (2)
Italian Mission - - (Supplied by John A. Smith) (2)
Mount Bethel and Wesley - - W. A. Parkinson (1)
Mountain View - - - - - - J. O. Randall (1)
Trinity - - - - - - - - - W. H. Pascoe (2)
Unity and Silver Bow - - - - Fred C. Fulford (4)
Clancy and Jefferson A. E. Plummer (1) and (W. C. Wampler) (1)
Dillon - - - - - - - - - - - Edward Smith (1)
Dillon Circuit - - - - - - - - - To be Supplied
Drummond and Hall - - - - - - Thomas H. Barker (3)
Hamilton and Sula - - - - - - - Thomas Miller (1)
Helena: Oakes Street A. E. Plummer (2) and (W. C. Wampler) (1)
St. Paul's - - - - - - Charles D. Crouch (2)
Lolo Circuit - - (Supplied by Mrs. Ida Amelia McAllister) (1)
Meadow Creek - - - - - - - - Louis Ortmayer (3)
Missoula - - - - - - - - - - Jesse Lacklen (2)
Philipsburg - - - - - - - - - Fred Anstice (2)
Ronan - - - - - - - (Supplied by James Hughes) (2)
St. Ignatius - - - - - - - - - Wm. S. Tester (4)
Sheridan and Ruby - - - - - - C. E. Cunningham (1)
Stevensville - - - - - - - - - P. D. Hartman (3)
Superior and Alberton - - - - - - - L. E. Simes (3)
Thompson and Plains - - - - - - To be Supplied
Three Forks - - - - - - - - - Geo. M. Carter (1)
Townsend and Radersburg - - - - W. G. R. Dann (1)
Twin Bridges - - - - - - (Supplied by R. M. Bell) (1)
Whitehall - - - - - - - - - - Fred T. Spencer (5)
Winston and Marysville - - - - - - Carl Knudson (2)

Yellowstone District

District Superintendent - - - - - - H. G. Humphrey (1)
Alzada Circuit - - - - - (Supplied by R. P. Harmon) (1)
Ashland and Birney - - (Supplied by W. K. Ridenour) (1)
Baker - - - - - - - - - - - H. E. Chappell (3)
Billings - - - - - - - - - - - Geo. D. Wolfe (1)
Bloomfield Circuit - - - (Supplied by Ross W. Harris) (1)

Bozeman	R. P. Smith	(6)
Bridger and Fromberg	E. D. Swisher	(3)
Clyde Park	C. E. Fenton	(2)
Comanche Circuit	K. O. Pearson	(1)
Edwards Circuit	(Supplied by E. E. Van Ness)	(2)
Fairview	H. M. Cooper	(4)
Forsyth	Fred Whitford	(1)
Fish Tail Circuit	A. T. Peck	(1)
Glendive	John G. Ross	(3)
Hardin	J. A. Meeke	(1)
Huntley Circuit	(To be Supplied)	
Ingomar Circuit	W. C. Smith	(1)
Joliet Circuit	H. W. Woods	(2)
Laurel	O. G. Ponath	(3)
Livingston	H. A. James	(2)
Miles City	Thomas Hardie	(3)
Park City	A. T. Peck	(4)
Pine Creek	(To be Supplied)	
Reed Point	A. T. Peck	(1)
Red Lodge and Circuit	E. C. Bartlett	(5)
Richey Circuit	(Supplied by David Halford	(2)
Sidney	A. D. Welch	(3)
Wibaux	(Supplied by W. H. Calvert)	(2)
Wilsall	Cecil G. Hannon	(1)

Special Appointments

Paul M. Adams, Professor of Biology, Montana Wesleyan College, St. Paul's Quarterly Conference, Helena, Montana. (7)

John Chirgwin, Field Agent of Montana Deaconess School, St. Paul's Quarterly Conference, Helena, Montana. (8)

C. M. Donaldson, President Montana Wesleyan College, St. Paul's Quarterly Conference, Helena, Montana. (1)

Geo. Mecklenburg, Executive Secretary of Helena Area, St. Paul's Quarterly Conference, Helena, Montana.

Edward Laird Mills, Editor Pacific Christian Advocate, St. Paul's Quarterly Conference, Helena, Montana. (1)

J. H. Mitchell, Chaplain in the United States Army, Grace Quarterly Conference, Butte, Montana.

George Reid, Conference Evangelist, St. Paul's Quarterly Conference Helena, Montana. (1)

G. C. Stull, Chaplain in the United States Army, Billings Quarterly Conference.

Martin E. Van Demark, Principal Montana Wesleyan Academy, St. Paul's Quarterly Conference, Helena, Montana. (1)

Ira F. Rankin and Carl Knudson, both of St. Paul's Quarterly Conference, Helena; R. R. Kletzing of the Twin Bridges Quarterly Conference; Amadeo Trappolini and J. M. A. Papa, both of Mountain View Quarterly Conference, Butte, left without appointment to attend some of our schools.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR MAINTENANCE.

Butte District.

Avon	$ 300
Big Blackfoot	400
Butte: Italian Work	1200
Butte: Mt. Bethel	200
Butte: Trinity	200
Butte: Silver Bow	200
Helena: Oakes St.	300
Clancy and Jefferson	400
Drummond Circuit	200
Hamilton and Sula	300
Lolo Circuit	100
Meadow Creek	500
Marysville and Winston	300
Philipsburg	500
Ronan	400
St. Ignatius	300
Sheridan	200
Superior and Alberton	300
Thompson and Plains	400
Three Forks	500
Townsend Circuit	200
Twin Bridges	400
Whitehall	300
District	300
Total	$8400

Approved by Chas. L. Bovard.

Yellowstone District.

Alzada Circuit	$ 100
Ashland Circuit	500
Baker	500
Bloomfield Circuit	700
Comanche Circuit	500
Edwards Circuit	500
Fairview Circuit	500
Forsyth	200

Fishtail Circuit	200
Hardin	400
Joliet	600
Ingomar and Sumatra	560
Laurel	400
Park City	300
Red Lodge	200
Reed Point	500
Richey Circuit	500
Sidney	200
Wibaux	300
District	500
Total	$8100

Approved by Edward Smith.

I concur,

CHARLES WESLEY BURNS,

VI Daily Proceedings

FIRST DAY, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, 1920.

Opening. The Thirty-fourth Session of the Montana Annual Conference convened in the St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church, Helena, on Wednesday, August 25th, 1920. At 8:30 the devotions were conducted by Bishop Charles Wesley Burns, who spoke from the text "For Their Sakes I Sanctify Myself". The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by the Bishop, the two District Superintendents, Charles D. Crouch, Edw. Laird Mills, and C. F. Wolfe.

Memorial. The Rev. W. W. Van Orsdel, having passed to his reward during the year, the Conference rose in silent expression of affection of this great and holy man; John Chirgwin offered prayer that the spirit of "Brother Van" might rest upon us, and Charles M. Donaldson was requested to prepare Memoir to be printed in the Minutes.

Organization. The Secretary called the Roll, and the following responded: Effective Elders, Paul M. Adams, Thos. H. Barker, Edw. C. Bartlett, Chas. L. Bovard, Geo. M. Carter, John Chirgwin, Harry M. Cooper, Chas. D. Crouch, C. E. Cunningham, W. G. R. Dann, Chas. M. Donaldson, C. E. Fenton, F. C. Fulford, Thos. Hardie, H. G. Humphrey, Henry A. James, R. R. Kletzing, Jesse Lacklen, Geo. Mecklenburg, Thos. Miller, Edw. Laird Mills, W. H. Pascoe, A. E. Plummer, J. O. Randall, George Reid, Charles Rhodes, John G. Ross, Edward Smith, W. C. Smith, F. T. Spencer, E. D. Swisher, A. D. Welch, Fred Whitford, Chas. F. Wolfe, Geo. D. Wolfe; Supernumerary: John A. Meeke; Retired: W. H. Calvert, Jacob Mills, S. A. Oliver; Undergraduates: Louis Ortmayer, Aden T. Peck, Ira F. Rankin, Harry E. Chappell.

Charles Rhodes was elected Secretary, and named as his Assistants Thomas Hardie and F. T. Spencer.

Fred Whitford was elected Treasurer, and he chose as assistants E. D. Swisher and Louis Ortmayer.

F. C. Fulford was elected Statistician and he named as Assistants Thomas Miller, W. G. R. Dann, W. C. Smith and A. E. Plummer. A. D. Welch was elected Auditor.

Changes in Conference Committees. The Conference Committees were re-elected with the following changes: Board of Foreign Missions, Ralph Parmenter in place of Mrs. E. O. Valliant; Board of Church Location and Erection, G. M. Carter instead of T. H. Martin; Board of Education, E. E. Collins in place of Prof. H. McCall; Commission on Finance, Thos. Hardie and B. A. Winans, in place of T. H. Martin and W. C. House. The following changes were made in the Standing Committees: Negro Education, H. E. Chappell added; Hospitals, F. C. Fulford and Charles Rhodes in place of W. G. R. Dann and Thomas Miller; Epworth League, John G. Ross instead of W. H. Pascoe; Publishing the Minutes, E. C. Bartlett and C. F. Wolfe were

added; Pro-rating, T. H. Martin dropped; Uniform Method of Church Finance, J. O. Randall added; Reconstruction and Delegates to Federal Council were omitted; Fraternal delegate to Northwest Conference Methodist Episcopal Church South, Jesse Lacklen was named; Methodist Review, K. O. Pearson; Reporter, Paul M. Adams, and Postmaster F. T. Spencer.

Disciplinary Questions: No. 1. Is this Conference incorporated?" It is.

Question 2. "Who have been received by Transfer and from what Conference?" George Reid, North Montana Conference, K. O. Pearson, Nebraska Conference.

Question 15. "Who have been transferred and to what conferences?" Henry C. Mecklenburg to the North Montana Conference, Albert C. Hoover, Colorado Conference, W. L. Greer, New Jersey.

Introductions. Dr. Charles R. Oaten, business representative of the Board of Conference Claimants was introduced, and addressed the Conference, presenting a draft for $500 which was delivered to the Chairman of the Board of Stewards.

R. H. Hughes, publishing agent, was introduced, addressed the Conference, and handed to the Bishop three drafts, Regular $664.50, Extra $221.50, Chartered Fund $35.00, a total of $921.00; these drafts on motion of C. L. Bovard were handed to the Chairman of the Board of Stewards.

Miss Monta Bane, superintendent of the Sidney Deaconess Hospital, Mrs. David Bowers, representing the W. H. M. S., Dr. Sherwood of the Kimball School of Theology, L. H. Sweetland, former President of Montana Wesleyan College, E. J. Huston of North Montana Conference, and Dr. M. J. Trenery of the Board of Sunday Schools were introduced.

Bar of Conference was set at the sixth seat from the front on motion of A. D. Welch.

On motion of Thomas Miller 11:45 was named as the hour of adjournment.

Butte District. The Character of Charles L. Bovard was passed, and he read his report. (See page 34.)

The characters of the following effective elders and probationers were passed, and they made their reports as to whether amounts received for ministerial support had been prorated, the achievements of the Centenary program, and the results of the Evangelistic effort: Charles F. Wolfe, Charles Rhodes, George Reid, George D. Wolfe, W. H. Pascoe, Fred C. Fulford, H. G. Humphrey, Thomas H. Barker, K. O. Pearson, A. E. Plummer, Charles D. Crouch, Louis L. Ortmayer, Jesse Lacklen, P. D. Hartman, C. E. Cunningham, R. R. Kletzing, and Fred T. Spencer. F. Anstice, L. E. Simes, C. Knudson, W. Koehler and John A. Smith also reported their work.

T. H. Martin having made a request to be located, the matter was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

The Session adjourned with benediction by Jacob Mills.

Statistical Session at 1:30 p. m., Henry A. James presiding. The roll was called and the brethren responded by turning in their reports to the Treasurer and Statistical Secretary.

SECOND DAY, THURSDAY, AUGUST 26th.

At 8:30 the devotions were conducted by Bishop Burns who spoke from what he characterized as the vulgar remark of Judas "It might have been sold."

The Minutes were read and approved.

The character of Ira F. Rankin was passed, and he gave his report.

Yellowstone District. The character of Edward Smith was passed, and he read his report. (See page 37.)

Question 14. The characters of the following effective elders and probationers were passed, and they reported: H. E. Chappell, J. O. Randall, R. P. Smith, E. D. Swisher, C. E. Fenton, W. A. Parkinson, H. M. Cooper, W. C. Smith, J. G. Ross, G. M. Carter, Fred Whitford, H. A. James, T. Hardie, A. T. Peck, W. G. R. Dann, E. C. Bartlett, A. D. Welch, T. Miller. The case of O. G. Ponath was referred to the Conference Relations Committee.

David Halford, H. W. Woods and W. H. Calvert also reported.

Special Appointments: The characters of the men on detached service were passed, Paul M. Adams, John Chirgwin, Edward L. Mills, Geo. C. Stull, J. H. Mitchell, F. O. Kelley, George Mecklenburg and C. M. Donaldson.

Letters of greeting were read from Geo. D. King and A. P. Morrison and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

A letter from A. Trappolini, who is attending school, was read.

Introductions. Dr. Fulkerson, of the Board of Foreign Missions and the Council of Benevolences; Dr. J. L. Seaton, of the Board of Education, were introduced and addressed the Conference.

Dr. E. L. Mills spoke of the Pacific Christian Advocate, and represented the work of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. Rev. J. V. Hawk of the Montana Children's Home Finding Society, was introduced, as was also Professor Brewer who represented the State Educational Institutions, and addressed the Conference, urging the necessity of the Bond Issues for State Educational purposes.

Deaconess School. Miss Roxanna Beck, the Principal of the Montana Deaconess School was introduced, and addressed the Conference.

John Chirgwin, Field Secretary, presented his report, and moved that this Conference endorse a campaign, to be put on throughout the State of Montana the first week in November—"Brother Van Memorial Week";—that from every Methodist pulpit on the preceding Sabbath, October 31st, some reference be made to the life of this great man; that we here and now endorse and enter into this proposition whole-heartedly, determined by the help of God to go forward. The Conference heartily adopted the resolution.

On motion of Edward Smith the time was extended, and Dr. Garland, who has had charge of the Billings Deaconess Hospital, was heard.

John Chirgwin moved that we hear the Hospital Reports at the Joint Session on Saturday morning, and it was adopted.

At 11:50 the Rev. Miss Emma Metsker, who has had charge of the work at Hinsdale in the North Montana Conference, the first woman pastor in Methodism to report to an Annual Conference, pronounced the benediction.

THIRD DAY, FRIDAY, AUGUST 27th.

At 8:30 the devotions were led by the Bishop, who gave an address on "The Unseen Legions of God"; the Conference Quartette sang.

Conference convened at 9 a. m., the Bishop in the Chair. The Minutes were read and approved.

The Report of the Committee on Publishing Minutes was given by the Secretary of Conference, which recommended the printing of 600 copies, and the payment of seven mills on each dollar of pastor's salary; the recommendation was adopted, and on motion of C. L. Bovard the money was to be handed in to the Secretary as the Roll of the Conference was called. Jesse Lacklen moved that a representative of the Publishing Committee bring the matter of the Minutes before the Laymen's Association, it was adopted, and Edw. C. Bartlett was appointed.

R. H. Hughes, Publishing Agent, addressed the Conference on the books published by the Book Concern.

Order of the Day. 10 o'clock, Saturday morning was fixed for the consideration of the possibility of uniting the two Conferences in Montana, and 10:45 for the Corporate Session.

Question 5 (a). Who are in studies of the first year? W. C. Wampler, Carl Knudson, Fred Anstice, Cecil G. Hannon, the Board of Examiners having reported that they had passed in all studies for admission on trial, the Chairman of Conference Relations having recommended their admission, and the Superintendent having reported favorably, they were so admitted.

Hubert W. Woods was also likewise admitted, but Standing Rule 1 having been brought to the attention of the Conference, the action was reconsidered on motion of Edward Smith. On motion of Charles Rhodes the standing rule with regard to the limitation of age was suspended, and on motion of Edward Smith, H. W. Woods was received on trial, he having been properly recommended.

Question 6 (a) Who have been continued in studies of first year? Martin Van Demark.

(b) In studies of second year? A. T. Peck.

(c) In studies of third year? Amadeo Trappolini having completed the studies of the first and second years, was advanced to the studies of the third year.

Question 8. "Who have been admitted into full membership. (a) Elected and ordained deacons this year? Ira F. Rankin and Louis Ortmayer were on the recommendation of the Committee on Conference Relations, and the motion of C. L. Bovard, admitted into full membership and elected to deacon's orders.

Question 9 (a). Louis Ortmayer and Ira F. Rankin having completed the studies of the second year were advanced to studies of the third year.

Question 11. What members have completed the Conference Course of study? (a) Elected and ordained elders this year. Harry E. Chappell and George Reid, having completed the course of study, were graduated, and on motion of C. L. Bovard, they were elected to elders orders.

Question 12. What others have been elected and ordained deacons? (a) As local preachers. Samuel Fletcher was on motion of C. L. Bovard elected to local deacon's orders.

Question 19. Who have Withdrawn? Thomas H. Martin having fulfilled the disciplinary requirements, was permitted to withdraw, on motion of Charles D. Crouch.

Centenary. George Mecklenburg reported on the Centenary and the achievements of the year, and the report on motion of C. L. Bovard was adopted.

Messenger. The matter of the publication of the Messenger having been presented by Geo. Mecklenburg, after remarks by the Bishop and Edward L. Mills, the resolution of the North Montana Conference that the Messenger be continued, to be published by the Area Council, was on motion of A. D. Welch concurred in.

Sunday Schools. After the Conference Quartette had sung, Dr. Trenery of the Board of Sunday Schools gave an address. C. L. Bovard moved and it was carried, that we request the Board to put in the field a Sunday School Missionary, to do a three-fold work,—extensive, intensive, and to conduct Schools of method.

Introductions. On motion of Charles D. Crouch, the time for adjournment was extended, and the following were introduced: Dr. Shepherd, Missionary of the Presbyterian Church in Montana; Rev. Joseph Pope of the Anti-Saloon League, Rev. James Hughes of Ronan, and the following brethren from the North Montana Conference: J. A. Martin, Job Little, J. H. Durand, and Geo. Logan. Dr. Rarick of the Board of Temperance spoke with regard to the enforcement of the Prohibition law, and the 25-day Compaign for funds to erect a building for the Board in Washington, D. C.

After announcements, the session adjourned with the benediction by S. A. Oliver.

FOURTH DAY, SATURDAY, AUGUST 28th.

The Bishop led the devotions at 8:30, speaking from the text "Now his windows were open." Minutes approved as corrected.

Question 15. W. L. Greer transferred to New Jersey (previously), A. C. Hoover transferred to Colorado (previously.)

Question 22. "What other personal notation should be made? With regard to Thomas Miller the Bishop made the explanation: To clear the records the notation is made that Thomas Miller was transferred from Northwest Kansas in 1917. His relation to North Montana ceased in 1916.

The Committee on Episcopal Residence was named: C. L. Bovard, Edward Smith, C. M. Donaldson, George D. Wolfe, George Mecklenburg, Charles D. Crouch, George Bailey, and J. V. Kohler.

Question 23. Who are the supernumerary ministers and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation? F. M. Latham (3), F. O. Linger (3), G. J. Stephens (3).

On the recommendation of the Committee on Conference Relations, John A. Meeke was changed from the supernumerary to the effective relation.

Question 24. Who are the retired ministers? J. A. Badcon, W. H. Calvert, John Hosking, Andrew Kershaw, Geo. D. King, Jacob Mills, A. D. Morrison, S. A. Oliver, and S. E. Snider.

On motion of C. L. Bovard, the request of Wilder Nutting for a retired relation was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

Question 14. The character of O. G. Ponath was passed.

The class for admission into full membership (consisting of Louis L. Ortmayer and Ira F. Rankin) was called. These brethren answered the disciplinary questions; after prayer by J. O. Randall the bishop addressed the class, and they were received into full membership by a rising vote of the Conference.

Question 24. The Committee on Conference Relations recommended that Wilder Nutting be given a retired relation, and this was granted.

Question 28. F. C. Fulford, the Statistician, presented his report which was accepted.

Question 32. What amounts have been received for Conference funds? From the Book Concern $886, Chartered Fund $35, Annual Conference Investment $125; Board of Conference Claimants $500, Pastoral Charges $2869, a total of $4,415.

Question 31. What are the claims on the Conference funds? For annuity distribution 398 full years multiplied by the disciplinary rate of $18.50 per year $7,363. Necessitous fund $1,391. Total $8,754.

Question 34. What amount has been paid by the Conference Treasurer to the Board of Conference Claimants for Connectional Relief? $134.

J. A. Meeke moved the following resolution which was carried:

Whereas—First, the necessary information in our Conference Journal is wholly inadequate,

Second, recent General Conference legislation requires that certain data relative to years of service be provided for the convenience of the Board of Conference Stewards, and other Conference Boards and Committees,

Therefore Be It Resolved that each member of this Conference present to the Secretary of the Conference in writing the following facts:

(1) When admitted on trial and what Conference?
(2) Age when admitted on trial.
(3) When received into full membership; what Conference?
(4) Years in the Supernumerary relation.
(5) When given the retired relation.

Question 25. Who are the Triers of Appeal? Charles D. Crouch, Jacob Mills, R. P. Smith, C. M. Donaldson, E. C. Bartlett.

Order of the Day. R. P. Smith moved the following resolution:

That we place ourselves on record favoring the lifting of the boundaries between the Montana Conference and the North Montana Conference, that shall unite Montana Methodism into one Conference, as provided by the Enabling Act of the General Conference.

After discussion of the matter by members of this Conference, and visiting members of the North Montana Conference, the resolution was unanimously adopted. On motion of R. P. Smith, Charles M. Donaldson was appointed to express our greeting and to report our action to the North Montana Conference at its next Session.

R. P. Smith and H. G. Humphrey were excused from further attendance at this Conference.

Question 36. Where shall the next Conference be held? Charles F. Wolfe placed in nomination Anaconda, C. E. Cunningham, Townsend, and W. H. Calvert, Wibaux. The invitation to Anaconda was accepted.

On motion of R. P. Smith it was decided to ask the General Conference Committee on blanks and Dr. Baketel, to add columns in which can be shown the number of members received by transfer and the number of members removed by transfer.

On motion of J. A. Meeke, Edward Smith was placed on the Board of Examiners in place of George D. Wolfe.

Order of the Day. At 10:55 the Conference went into **Corporate Session**, and Charles D. Crouch, the President of the Board of Trustees, was called to the Chair.

Jacob Mills, the Treasurer, gave his report, which on motion of C. L. Bovard was adopted.

On nomination, the **Trustees of the Conference** were named as follows: Charles D. Crouch, C. M. Donaldson, Jacob Mills, A. F. Ritz and George Bailey.

At 11 a. m. the Corporate Session adjourned, and the regular Session resumed with the Bishop in the Chair.

Joint Session. The order of the day was called, and the officers of the Laymen's Association were introduced. E. E. Collins, President of the Laymen's Association gave an address, and E. H. Gregory, Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions submitted the resolutions of the laymen. The Bishop responded on behalf of the Conference, and expressed the great joy that the laymen of the Church are with us in the most difficult task the Church has ever faced.

On motion of Edward Smith it was ordered that the resolutions of the Laymen's Association be printed in the Conference Journal.

Education. A. D. Welch read the report of the Board of Education. The report was adopted and a request was added that we ask the Board of Education to establish a School for pastors at Montana Wesleyan College.

Extension of time was agreed to on motion of Jesse Lacklen.

Deaconess. Miss Ida C. Hills of the Butte Deaconess Hospital and Miss Monta Bane of the Sidney Deaconess Hospital, were introduced and briefly addressed the Conference. The Joint Session adjourned, and the **Regular Session** resumed.

On motion of Jesse Lacklen it was agreed that when we adjourn, we adjourn to meet at 8 o'clock tonight.

Announcements were made, and at 12:15 the Conference adjourned with benediction by John Hosking.

Conference Resumed at 8:15 p. m. The Conference Quartette sang "Leaning on Jesus", and E. C. Bartlett offered prayer.

The Minutes of the morning session were approved as corrected.

Rev. Arthur Frederick Ragatz, Secretary Western Agency of the American Bible Society, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

Reports. 32. J. A. Meeke gave the report of the Conference Board of Stewards. H. A. James named those recommended by the Board for three years: R. P. Smith, Charles D. Crouch, and J. D. Slemons, and the Conference agreed to the recommendation.

The Treasurer, Fred Whitford, gave his report, which was accepted.

Board of Home Missions and Church Extension Report given by Geo. D. Wolfe. The report was accepted, and the askings for the year agreed to.

On motion of Geo. D. Wolfe the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension was elected,—the two District Superintendents, the pastor of Mountain View Church, W. H. Pascoe, F. C. Fulford, Charles Rhodes, Charles F. Wolfe, William Lutey, F. B. Price, John Callow, B. K. Wheeler, J. H. Strain and C. E. Avery.

Question 27. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Foreign Missions? See Centenary Report.

Deaconess. John Chirgwin, Field Secretary, presented the Deaconess Report which was adopted, with an addition to the Committee to consider the Forsyth Hospital. (See Report).

Sunday School report was read by H. G. Humphrey and adopted.

Auditor's report by A. D. Welch adopted.

Epworth League report read by J. G. Ross accepted, with the addition of a paragraph emphasizing the necessity of the organization of Junior Leagues.

Dr. Sherwood of the Kimball School of Theology addressed the Conference.

Geo. D. Wolfe moved that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet at 8 a. m. on Monday. Carried.

Adjourned at 10:10 with benediction by H. A. James.

CLOSING SESSION, MONDAY, AUGUST 30th.

Devotions at 8 o'clock. After a number of prayers, the brethren sang "Where He Leads Me I Will Follow". Minutes read and approved.

A telegram from Glasgow was read giving the tidings that the Hospital financial situation had been relieved.

A telegram from Chaplain Stull was read, and on motion of Edward Smith, the Secretary was instructed to send greetings to Brother Stull, the Conference heartily endorsing the Army Chaplaincy.

Geo. D. Wolfe rising to a question of personal privilege, desired to be recorded as voting against the resolution adopted on Saturday morning with regard to uniting Montana Methodism into one Conference, and the consent of the Conference was granted.

Montana Wesleyan College. C. M. Donaldson, the President, gave his report, which on motion of C. L. Bovard was adopted, and after being edited was to be incorporated in the Minutes.

Area Council. C. L. Bovard moved that Charles F. Wolfe represent the Butte District, and Edward Smith moved that R. P. Smith represent the Yellowstone District, and these brethren were so elected.

Question 17. Fred O. Kelly, reported in good standing was passed in character, and desiring to be located, was given this relation on the recommendation of the Committee on Conference Relations.

The Bishop was requested to appoint George Reid Conference Evangelist on the recommendation of the Committee on Conference relations and motion of George D. Wolfe.

The Bishop made the **Appointment of Deaconesses** on the recommendation of the Conference Board. (See Report.)

Resolutions of Appreciation were read by George D. Wolfe and heartily adopted.

The report of Paul M. Adams, Conference Auditor, was read and adopted.

Introductions. Thomas Hardie and his bride were presented to the Conference and received congratulations.

John Chirgwin and wife were also congratulated on the advent of a grandchild.

On motion of Geo. D. Wolfe, the Temperance Report was adopted and the Secretary, after editing same, was instructed to include it in the Minutes.

On motion of C. L. Bovard it was agreed that after the approval of the Minutes, and the reading of the Appointments by the Bishop we adjourn.

The Minutes of the morning session were read and approved. The Bishop led the Conference in fervent prayer, and then read the Appointments, after which the brethren sang "Blest Be the Tie That Binds Our Hearts", and at 10:10 the Conference adjourned with the benediction.

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION.

This is to Certify that at Helena, Montana, on August the 29th, 1920, I ordained as deacons, Samuel Fletcher, Louis L. Ortmayer, and Ira F. Rankin. On the same day, assisted by elders, I ordained Harry E. Chappell and George Reid as Elders in the Church of God, and in accordance with the discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

CHARLES WESLEY BURNS,
Presiding Bishop.

CERTIFICATE.

The foregoing is the Official Journal of the Montana Annual Conference at the Thirty-fourth Session held in Helena, Montana, August 25-30, 1920.

Charles Wesley Burns
Presiding Bishop.

Chas. Rhodes
Secretary.

VII Lay Association

Helena, Montana, August 27, 1920.

Meeting of Lay Association called to order by the Secretary, A. H. Gregory in the absence of the President E. E. Collins.

Address of Welcome by J. V. Kohler from Helena. Response, A. H. Gregory, Miles City.

Address: "Montana Deaconess School". John Chirgwin.

Plan of financing Conference Minutes presented by Rev. E. C. Bartlett.

Registration of delegates as follows:

Mrs. M. Skones, Missoula; Mrs. J. W. Shriver, Missoula; Miss Flossie Lyall, Pine Creek; Mrs. Anna Mitchell, Walkerville; Mrs. W. H. Pascoe, Butte; Mrs. Elizabeth Reid, Walkerville; Mrs. R. M. Pinkney, Bozeman; Mrs. Anna Seaberg, Livingston; Mrs. Martha Ridgeway, Townsend; Mrs. C. E. Cunningham, Townsend; Chas. E. Avery, Anaconda; Guy E. Marvin, Bozeman; J. D. Slemons, Butte; Mrs. A. G. Nutting, Livingston; A. H. Gregory, Miles City; J. E. Midgett, Sumatra; Mrs. W. H. Tebay, Whitehall; L. L. Gordon, Helena; Mrs. H. A. James, Livingston; Humphrey Roberts, Helena; J. V. Kohler, Helena; Mrs. T. H. Barker, Drummond; Mrs. M. J. Cromwell, Dillon; Millie Midgett, Sumatra; Ross W. Harris, Wibaux; Miss Belle Beatty, Winston; Mrs. N. E. Church, Clancy; Mrs. George Reid, Walkerville; Mr. J. V. Hawk, Helena.

Motion that all laymen present be seated as delegates carried.

Chair appointed **Committee on Nominations** as follows:

J. V. Hawk, J. D. Slemons, James Midgett, Mrs. N. E. Church, Mrs. Martha Ridgeway.

Committee on Resolutions as follows:

J. V. Kohler, Flossie M. Lyall, Mrs. George Reid, Ross M. Harris, Mrs. Andrew Seaberg.

Address on "Kimball School of Theology," Rev. Edwin Sherwood.

Conference adjourned until 2:00 P. M.

In the absence of the President the Conference was called to order at two o'clock by A. H. Gregory, Secretary.

J. V. Hawk was elected as temporary chairman for the afternoon session.

Report on "General Conference" given by Chas. E. Avery.

Address on "Public Morals and Prohibition" by Chas. E. Rarrick, Washington, D. C.

Report of Committee on Resolutions read and accepted.

Report on Nominations read as follows:

President, E. D. Elderkin, Butte; First Vice-President, Chas. E. Avery, Anaconda; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Moore Eyer, Glendive;

Secretary, A. H. Gregory, Miles City; Treasurer, Mrs. M. Ridgeway, Townsend.

On motion the report of the committee on nominations was accepted and all nominations made by the committee were unanimously elected by a vote instructing the secretary to cast a unanimous ballot for each nominee.

Reports from delegates from various charges.

Meeting adjourned to meet at 9:30 Saturday morning.

Meeting called to order by President E. E. Collins at nine-thirty Saturday.

Motion by Judge Reynolds and duly seconded, that the committee on By-laws and Constitution be continued.

A vote of thanks was extended to President E. E. Collins for his efficient services as President of the Lay Conference for the past three years.

Adjourned to meet in joint session with the Ministerial Conference at eleven o'clock.

A. H. GREGORY, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS.

We, your committee on resolutions, submit the following:

We hereby endorse the every-member canvass as the most efficient means of raising the current expenses of the local church, and suggest that each pastoral charge place its church on this firm financial footing at the very beginning of the conference year.

Whereas, prohibition has been written into the constitution of the state by a large majority, and whereas, we hear evidence of bootlegging and illicit manufacture of intoxicating liquors, and whereas, such business is now outlawed in this state, therefore, be it resolved that we commend all efforts of the officers of the law, federal, state and local, to enforce the provisions without fear or favor. We believe the people are demanding more vigilance on the part of the officers charged with law enforcement.

We believe the Centenary has been inspired by God, and rejoice in the financial success of the movement thus far advanced, and we pledge the laity of the Montana Conference to assist our pastors in increasing the membership of our Church and conserving the young life of our Sunday Schools, Edworth Leagues, and congregations.

Whereas, a permanent record of the proceedings of each Annual Conference is necessary, therefore, be it resolved, that the cost of publishing the minutes be apportioned to each pastoral charge at the rate of seven mills on each dollar of the pastor's cash salary for this year, and for successive years such rates as may be necessary. That the District Superintendent and pastors see that this apportionment be properly presented to the respective charges, and that each pastor bring the amount so apportioned to the Annual Conference, and pay same to the Conference secretary.

The Deaconess School, The Montana Wesleyan College; and all our Deaconess Hospitals over the state are commended to our members, and we solicit their prayers and financial help. We rejoice in the great and good work that these institutions are doing. We especially urge our churches to support the work of Brother Chirgwin and the building of the Brother Van Memorial on the grounds of the Deaconess School.

We appreciate the courtesy and kindliness of Bishop Burns in the administration of his difficult office and in solving the many hard problems that he has to deal with in presiding over the Annual Conference, and we pray God's blessing and guidance in the appointment of the ministers to the various charges. We extend him a hearty welcome and hope that his stay among us will result in great good in the advancement of Christ's Kingdom in this field.

We appreciate the hospitality of the good people in general and the pastor and members of the St. Paul Methodist Episcopal Church, in particular and the officers of Montana Wesleyan College for the many courtesies extended during our stay among them, and for the royal entertainment furnished during the Conference, and desire to extend our sincere thanks.

Thanking God for the good work that has been accomplished during the past year, let us push on during the coming year and express the hope and prayer that our efforts will be crowned with greater success than ever before.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE.

VIII Reports

(A) FROM DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

(1) BUTTE DISTRICT.

To the Bishop and Members of the Montana Annual Conference:

Bishop and Brethren: I submit this, my fifth annual report, with deep gratitude to God for His watch-care and guidance during the year that is now closing. Death, I think, has not crossed the threshold in a single parsonage home during the year. Somewhat serious illness has been the lot of some of our workers however. Mrs. Fulford, wife of our pastor at Unity, Butte, was cared for in our Butte Deaconess Hospital through a serious sickness involving surgical treatment. It was also necessary that Mrs. Reid, wife of our pastor at Mt. Bethel and Wesley Chapel, should be absent twice during the year for hospital treatment. Our Brother Nutting, pastor at Thompson and Plains, found it necessary to seek assistance at the hands of surgeons and specialists during the year. The influenza attacked several of our pastor's homes—Brother and Sister Plummer faring the worst—we believe. This sickness together with the disastrous fire which totally destroyed the church beside their parsonage, called for unusual fortitude. And quite heroically have the Oakes Street pastor and valiant officials met the crisis, fitting up the basement as commodiously as possible, and continuing the worship of God and work in the various departments of the church. Thus there is nothing that can seriously mitigate our joys when we contemplate the dealings of Providence with us during the year. In common with all the districts in Montana, we were called upon to mourn the going of Brother Van—"the best known and best loved man in Montana." After the stroke that clearly indicated the end, we were glad to have him linger with us a while in genial consciousness of his abiding place in our affections.

Emergency Support.

But for the generous and prompt action of our Board of Home Missions and Church Extension at the last session of Conference in granting the District exactly a hundred percent increase in maintenance to meet our drouth emergency, we should have been unable to keep many of our charges open during the year. As it is, with the advances in prices for practically all commodities, hardship has been the lot of several of our pastors. While nearly every other worker has received substantial advance in support, with our very best efforts, we have been unable to bring the support of our men in this district to any appreciable advance, that is an advance that will in any great measure offset the present expensiveness of living. We were able,

however, to bring each charge, except the student charges, up to the minimum salary set by our conference—$1200 and house. That is the allowances were at and above that standard, and we hope they have been paid in full. This is, of course, inclusive of the missionary and emergency allowances. We regret that the conditions have not so far improved as to enable us to dispense with these generous emergency advances. We fear the Board is disappointed that this is the case. But, while the crop outlook is favorable, the accumulated indebtedness during the three years failure must be met before there can be anything like normal conditions.

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The Centenary Conservation and Evangelistic Proogram.

Not to be tedious here, I will refer only to the more general features of our work with the results. We entered heartily into the program of the Conservation Committee in all of its details. We had from 90 to 100% attendance at our various council meetings. Our sub-district chairmen, Brothers Crouch, Lacklen, Charles Wolfe and Humphrey gave time and energy in almost every charge rendering valuable assistance in setting up the program. We acknowledge our great advantage as a District by having the immediate counsel of Dr. Mecklenburg and the Centenary office. Dr. Donaldson also, in spite of his heavy financial burdens as finance manager of the Montana Wesleyan, assisted us very effectively. Schedules for special campaigns were planned covering the entire district. For the most part we relied upon teams made up of our own men. Rev. O. G. Ragan, however, conducted a campaign in Butte and Anaconda. The weather was the severest known in years, snows deeper and feed scarcer than Montana had ever known. Much effort was made to overcome our various handicaps, with the result that at Easter time we had barely gone over the top, surpassing our quota by about 25 accessions. What we have learned, however, ought to be of more value to the Church than what we accomplished. These lessons may be summarized as follows: (1) Preliminary organization is a great factor in a present day revival. (2) The Sunday School and Epworth League afford the best field for successful appeal. (3) The concentration of effort necessary to success consumes the energy of pastor and department officials, (where there are such) to the very limit of endurance. There are just two points to any successful method: Getting to the people and having power in the appeal when the people are reached. Old time fire, old time fundamentals, with the wisest up-to-date methods available, will produce the desired results.

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Our Institutions.

The Montana Wesleyan College closed a most successful year last June. In the matter of attendance and esprit-de-corps, it reached the high water mark in its thirty years of successful history. Dean A.

C. Lemon is deserving of great credit for managing the school so efficiently.

Early in the year the new dormitory was opened and contributed greatly to the comfort and fine spirit that has pervaded the institution. Dr. Chas. M. Donaldson organized a successful campaign for needed funds with which to finish and equip this new building. The faculty was happily selected and gave a fine example of high class team work. Never have we seen the student body more loyal and devoted to the high ideals of our school.

In line with the policy of the Wesleyan, it was necessary to select a president for the institution and after a careful canvass, it was decided at the last March meeting that we did not need to go abroad to find a man suitable for this important office. The ballot of the Board was cast unanimously for the Rev. Chas. M. Donaldson, D. D., who as associate centenary secretary had been giving special attention to the finances of the College. Dr. Donaldson (Brother Donaldson received his Doctor's degree from his Alma Mater, Hamline University, last June) has entered upon his duties as president and in spite of the increased difficulties in securing teachers is about ready for the opening day of what we hope may prove a new era in the history of our school.

The Montana Deaconess school, located near Helena, has had another notable year. Its enrollment taxed the full capacity of our present buildings. Some years ago a policy was adopted for over-hauling and modernizing the old buildings. This program was completed this year and now we are not required to apologize to our visitors. The gardening side of the school under the supervision of Miss Beck and Mr. Pew has reached the proportions of a real source of income. Advancing steadily from year to year, the school is now supplied with its vegetables, milk and butter supply and other table delicacies. Indeed some of the products exceeded the school demands and were duly marketed.

The financial secretary, Rev. John Chirgwin, still continues to enlist the men of means in the state in support of the school. Shortly after the death of Dr. Van Orsdel, the various institutions of our church in the state (all had a claim on Brother Van) agreed to turn over to the Deaconess School the honor of erecting a suitable building to the memory of this beloved pioneer Methodist leader. This award to the Deaconess School was particularly fitting for two reasons: (1) Brother Van was particularly fond of the school that gathered the boys and girls from every quarter of the state under its protecting care. (2) By his expressed wish his body lies in Forestvale cemetery—only a short walk from the site of this institution.

This being determined amicably, the Board of Trustees of the Deaconess School met and formally launched a campaign for the sum of $100,000 for a Van Orsdel memorial building. Brother Chirgwin was elected manager of the campaign and instructed to solicit the larger possibilities in conjunction with his regular financial work until the meeting of this session of Conference. His success seemed to justify

the choice of an architect and the beginning of this delightful task. The formalities of ground breaking for this building are on the program of this Conference. Further facts and plans will be presented later by the campaign manager. There is probably no institution in Methodism whose purposes and practical operation have elicited commendation so favorable and wide spread as this Deaconess School.

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The other institution within the bounds of this district is the Butte Deaconess hospital. The details of its work for the year will be brought before you in the reports of the Conference Board and its superintendent Miss Ida Hills, a real genius in management of big enterprises on small resources. What I wish to urge is that this Conference take this institution at once and completely to its heart in loving confidence. Dr. Wolfe informs me that every emendation of its charter necessary to put wholly in the sisterhood of our Deaconess family has been made. It is worthy of our utmost confidence and support. Pastors and church organizations are urged to respond to its needs for supplies, etc. The immediate financial need is for $25,000 to lift a burdensome debt. The income is exceeding the expenses by a small sum each year. The balance last year was $2,559.51, this year it is $3,803.48. A financial field agent is a pressing need at this juncture. Prayers are ascending daily for the right person for this work.

C. L. BOVARD.

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(2) YELLOWSTONE DISTRICT

Brethren and Co-laborers: I have been privileged now the tenth time to bring a report to the Conference of district work. I devoutly thank God for the privilege of this service and for His sustaining grace in it. I thank my brethren for kindly assistance and patient forbearance.

Previous reports set forth rather fully experiences, convictions, achievements, defeats and program recommendations. This will not all be held in ready memory, hence some reviewing in this report.

The district is a vast reach of territory approximating the area of Illinois. It embraces nineteen enormous counties, and the half of two counties more. Of these twenty-one counties eight are without any permanent organized help from our church. In several others our line is discouragingly thin. The whole district gives promise of a permanent and growing populace of agriculturists. Activities of other evangelical bodies is very inadequate. Here is an outstanding field appealing to the energies of our Church as expressed in our Board of Home Missions and Board of Sunday Schools. The generous hand of the Board of Home Missions has made possible much of our past achievements. Plans are contemplated by the extension department of the Board of Sunday Schools that should produce lasting results. However, we are suffering losses that may never be retrieved.

In keeping with the program of the general church we have majored this year in evangelism. Our statistics will show healthy in-

crease, tho the set goal of twenty-five percent increase will not be reached on all charges. The organized centers will naturally make the best showing.

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It is stating but well known fact to say a spirit of restlessness pervades our country. Yellowstone District has not proven its immunity. This spirit has invaded our pastoral ranks as well as the people. Drouth plus high cost of living has developed distressingly abnormal situations. Extra sustentation help was extended last fall by our Board of Home Missions. But this did not balance increased prices and lack of local funds. Without this special help, however, we would in some instances have been driven from the field. With the help some pastors have gone through the year under great material limitations. Our laity have had the same conditions so the experience has been mutual. Fifty dollar hay for stock, family provisions, standing debt together with taxes have absolutely exhausted the local resources of the people. Under these circumstances practically nothing could be accomplished in needed building enterprises.

The encouraging progress made at the beginning of our district term in building equipment has been ruthlessly checked by conditions above explained. Our vision of this needed equipment is hope deferred.

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Centenary projects for this year were considered with reference to first importance. So pressing are such fields as Baker, Sidney, and Richey entirely without a house of worship, these first important places are difficult to decide as there are many of them. Quite a few places need parsonages.

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Our institutional work is in general known to the Conference. Bozeman Deaconess Hospital has a permanent footing now. The fine new building is a great credit. With careful financing all will come clear. Sidney Deaconess Hospital has had a year of service that gives it rank with our fine institutions of this character. Drouth conditions make necessary skillful financing. Facilities and improvements are necessary soon. The Billings Protestant Deaconess hospital is as the Chinese student defined the egg,—"A chicken not yet." This institution is staying too long in the critical formative stage. Dr. Garland's months of valuable service can not be overestimated. Forsyth is offering us a hospital but our deaconess work of this order groans for lifeservice young women. I am fully convinced the time has come when Montana hospital interests should employ a skillful and experienced person in full command.

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Our state Home Missions Council performed a function within the district worthy of mention. A sister denomination attempted the occupancy of Sumatra along with us. Our prior occupancy and unbroken record was clear. The case was submitted to a committee of three

disinterested parties of disinterested denominations. Their decision left us undisturbed. This case gives hope that there is a possible adjustment for the so-called over-churched communities.

Our report should mention the General Conference of last May, since you delegated me to represent you there. The actions of the body are now familiar history. I have given impressions in both the Messenger and the Pacific Christian Advocate. We had a little part in a few matters pertinent to our field such as an enabling act for an all Montana conference, an editor for the Pacific Advocate, a word for our retired resident Bishop Cooke and a glad part in the retention of the Area in tack and bringing Bishop Charles Wesley Burns to it. Our welcome, Bishop Burns, is as boundless as this glorious west.

During our district service of ten years, twenty-two churches and twelve parsonages have been built or reconstructed. More than half on this District. Before the field can claim even apologetic equipment many times this must be the task. The next superintendent will be in no danger of unemployment. Drouth and war defeated our good beginning in this work.

Consulting personal physical resources I am persuaded I should yield the field. Experience has given me an ardent love for it. My labors with pastors and people of both districts have endeared these best people of earth to me. You will call I trust a youngerly man to district duty who will lay his foundations for a constructive program covering a period of years. The time limit is off. He will have my God Speed. I bespeak for him yours. He will probably make financial sacrifice. He will forego domestic comforts. He will suffer a severe drain on physical energies. He will likely sacrifice a coveted pastoral career, not by his preference but by your call. He must be ready to carry his office, his library, and his wardrobe in his suitcase. Along with these he must take his dress parade countenance, his artesian well of patience and a heart rich in Divine grace and prepare to be several hundred miles from home weeks at a time. The district now has at least a dozen new charges since the time I first covered it. Some it is true have dropped out. New charges should multiply rapidly with return of normal conditions.

Personally I have been accorded the most brotherly consideration. Officially I do not recall many words of approval.

The official position assigned me by no personal choice has been assailed, not on Yellowstone district as such, but in general by both pastors and people. Time was when the district was an integral unit in our work, enjoying distinct morale, program and interests. Much of this is endangered in handed-down schedules and drives, with fixed programs often ill-fitted to local conditions. Experience prompts me to plead for this work in general and for Yellowstone district in particular and surely for my successor on the field, even though I risk popular sentiment in these utterances. Except for this office Yellowstone district would never have opened work at Baker, Fairview, Sioux Pass, Fish Tail, Edwards, Hardin, Ingomar and other fields numerously. Other fields were saved in critical junctures. Be it

agreed then the office is essential. Some one will fill it with heartiest support of all concerned. Fervently praying divine favor upon past labors and divine guidance in future needs I am faithfully yours, Bishop and Conference, with most fraternal and cordial regard.

EDWARD SMITH.

(b) COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

APPRECIATION

We desire to express first of all our delightful appreciation of our beloved resident Bishop Charles Wesley Burns and to assure him of our most cordial welcome to himself and family. His able, affable and brotherly attitude as our presiding officer has endeared him to all of us. We hereby pledge him our most loyal support in all forward movements he leads in the Helena Area.

The genuine hospitality and kindly treatment accorded us by the people of St. Paul's and Oakes Street Churches and by the citizens of Helena generally.

The forethought and care of the Pastors and Ladies' Aid Societies:

The courtesy of the Broadwater Hotel Management, the Chamber of Commerce, and business men, in providing for our Saturday afternoon recreation is hereby gratefully acknowledged.

We rejoice with Miss Beck and her associates of the Montana Deaconess School in the wonderful success with which God has blessed their efforts and most heartily commend to all our people the Van Orsdel Memorial Building and urge upon all the most liberal support of that enterprise; and assure Financial Secretary Chirgwin our utmost help in his great task.

The banquet spread for us at the Deaconess school was indeed a feast and we hereby record our appreciation and thanks.

To President Donaldson, Mrs. Tait and all connected with Montana Wesleyan Dormitory, we express our grateful thanks for the many privileges accorded to us; the fine opportunities for fellowship and acquaintance made possible to us by residency in the dormitory we thoroughly enjoyed.

The beautiful flowers which have greeted our eyes each day in this Conference Church—we owe to the love and care of Miss Alta Neville who, though a sufferer, in her room each day arranged the basket and bouquets for our pleasure. God bless Miss Neville whom we thank with all our hearts.

AUDITORS.

I have examined the account of the Conference Treasurer for the year 1919-20, and have found it to be correct.

PAUL M. ADAMS, Conference Auditor.

We have examined the accounts of the District Superintendents, and find them to be correct.

W. A. CALVERT,
A. D. WELCH.

CENTENARY

We recognize the Centenary to be the greatest achievement in all missionary history. For the first time,we are as a Church, giving adequately to further world salvation. The centenary emphasis on stewardship, life service, intercession, and evangelism has been of salutary effect on our church life.

It is now urgent that we keep up the Centenary spirit and secure 100% payment on Centenary pledges. We therefore recommend, first, that special attention be given to the Centenary subscriptions in seeing delinquents and reporting and tracing removals and transfers. Second, that a subscription be secured from every new member and non-subscribing Methodist, immediately, Third, that greater emphasis be placed on Missionary education from the pulpit, in the Sunday School and in the societies of the Church.

H. G. HUMPHREY.

DEACONESS BOARD

The meeting of the Conference Deaconess Board was called to order Friday afternoon, August 27th, 1920, H. G. Humphrey presiding. Prayer was offered by J. A. Martin.

The newly organized Board, according to the rules of the last General Conference, is made up of the following members: Roxana Beck, Helen C. Piper, J. Leone Rice, Blanche L. Baker, Ethel Hancock, Maryellen Davidson, Mary Jeannette Burns, Annabelle Harper, Ruby C. Hulbert, Edith R. Ackerman, H. Grace Linfield, Ida C. Hills, Anna Helikson, Elta E. Reed, Monta Bane, Cora F. Menely, Pastor of the Mountain View Church, Pastor of the Bozeman M. E. Church, John Chirgwin, A. D. Welch, Mrs. Jennie Mills, L. K. MacNeill, Wm. Lutey, Charles Leonard, J. C. Blackman, C. L. Brattin, W. S. Davidson, A. G. Berthot, F. B. Reynolds and the Pastor of our Billings Church and the two District Superintendents.

The following officers were nominated: President, A. D. Welch; First Vice President, Edith Ackerman; Second Vice President, Anna Helikson; Secretary, John Chirgwin; Treasurer, L. K. MacNeill. These officers form the Executive Committee.

The following disciplinary questions were asked and answered: 1. "Has the standing of each Deaconess been approved"? Answer, "Yes." 2. "Who have been received by transfer and from what Conference?" Answer, "Elta E. Reed from North Montana Conference." 3. "Who have been transferred and to what Conference"? Answer, "Miss Mildred Christensen, a Probationer, is transferred to the Rock River Conference". 4. "Who are the probationers in studies of the first year"? Answer, "None". 5. "Who are the Probationers in the studies of the Second Year"? Answer, "None". 6. "Who have been licensed as Deaconesses"? Answer, "Having filled the necessary two years of Probation and meeting the disciplinary requirements satisfactorily, we recommend that Augusta Nelson be granted a Deaconess license, and be consecrated this following Sunday". 7. "Who have been consecrat-

ed as Deaconesses"? Answer, "Augusta Nelson". 8. "Who have been elected Associate Deaconesses"? Answer, "None." 9. "Who have been re-elected Associate Deaconesses"? Answer, "None". 10. "Who have been re-admitted"? Answer, "None". 11. "Who are the Retired Deaconesses"? Answer, "None". 12. Who have been granted Leave of Absence"? Answer, "Mary Jeannette Burns and H. Grace Linfield. The latter is on her second year of absence". 13. "Who have received Honorable Discharge"? Answer, "None". 14. "Who have been discontinued"? Answer, "None". 15. "Who have withdrawn"? Answer, "None". 17. "Who have been expelled" Answer, "None". 18. "Who have died"? Answer, "None". 19. "Where are the Deaconesses appointed"? Answer, "See 'Appointments'."

The following committees were appointed: Committee on Transfers, Admission and Relations, Roxana Beck, Helen Piper and J. Leone Rice. Committee on Work of Deaconesses and Reports, Executive Committee. Committee on Examinations, Ida Hills and Pastor of Mountain View Church.

A motion was made and carried that an evening instead of an afternoon of the Conference Session be given over to the Deaconess Anniversary, and that the Executive Committee report accordingly to the Annual Conference Program Committee.

The Conference Deaconess Board after much thought and consideration appointed a Committee consisting of the Bishop, the Superintendent of the Yellowstone District, Rev. J. A. Martin, Miss Ida C. Hills, and the pastor of Forsyth, to make an investigation of the new hospital at Forsyth, Montana, and if suitable terms can be made with the Commissioners of Rosebud County and a capable person can be found to act as Superintendent, we endorse heartily the project.

We recommend the appointment by the Bishop of a Field Secretary for the Deaconess Hospitals in Montana, his salary to be paid by the hospitals in proportion to the time spent, said salary to be two hundred dollars a month and expenses.

Dr. D. W. Howells, Corresponding Secretary of the General Deaconess Board, was present during the meeting and offered many timely suggestions.

Respectfully submitted,
A. D. WELCH,
JOHN CHIRGWIN.

DEACONESS SCHOOL—FIELD SECRETARY'S REPORT.

To the Members of the Montana Conference:

Dear Bishop and Brethren: I herewith submit my seventh annual report as Field Secretary of the Montana Deaconess School, our institution for children in the state of Montana.

Immediately after Conference of last year, I began my duties and have continued to the present without a day's intermission. This past year has been a hard year financially for our people. Conditions of the past year have depleted the bank account of many a

good stock man. The bankers also, who have been very kind to us, have felt the strain as badly as the more humble folks. Therefore, the only way to keep up our record of the past, was to work harder. This I have done to the very best of my ability.

The financial results are as follows: Received in cash for the Sustentation of our institution, $7,163.00; received in cash for the "Bro. Van Memorial," $3,222.00; adding to these sums in bona fide subscriptions for the Memorial, $20,627.50, makes a total in cash and subscriptions of $31,012.50. This year has proven to be the best yet, financially.

During the past year, our institution has turned away about 150 children for lack of accommodations, with no other Protestant institution in the state to take care of them. Something must be done.

On the 19th day of December of last year, death took from us our beloved fellow-worker and Vice-President of the Board of Trustees, the late W. W. Van Orsdel. It has been decided by representatives of Methodism in Montana to erect a Memorial Building on the campus of the Montana Deaconess School, during the coming year. To this end, a campaign has been launched for the raising of $100,000.00 for the purpose above named. During the last five months, I have been trying to secure ten gifts of One Thousand Dollars each, twenty gifts of Five Hundred Dollars each, forty gifts of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars each and two hundred gifts of One Hundred Dollars each, which make a total of Fifty Thousand Dollars. Our plan is to follow this by a General Campaign to be adopted by the two Montana Conferences for the raising of the balance needed. To this date, I have secured: three gifts of One Thousand Dollars each, four gifts of Five Hundred Dollars each, one gift of Three Hundred Dollars, twenty gifts of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars, sixty-nine gifts of One Hundred Dollars each, fifty-two gifts of Fifty Dollars each, one gift of Thirty Dollars and small gifts amounting to $3,530.00, making a total of $23,360.00. In addition, a friend of this institution, who is over eighty years of age, has made his will in our favor leaving his entire estate for our work. Another good man and his wife have decided to give an annuity to us and to the Montana Wesleyan College, which possibly may amount to Thirty Thousand Dollars for each of our schools. The bright day is breaking for Methodist institutions in Montana.

I cannot close this report without thanking our splendid pastors for the assistance they have given me these many years. I beg of each of you to be awake to the possibilities we have as pastors, of helping and advertising our institutions not only to Methodist congregations but to our Protestant friends as well. I think it would not be boasting to state that I could raise the quota of any charge for the "Bro. Van Memorial" without soliciting a Methodist. Yet, that would not be wise for every loyal Methodist who is able financially will desire to have a share in this great work.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN CHIRGWIN.

We, the Committee, appointed by the Board of Trustees of the Montana Deaconess School at Helena, Montana, desire to present this report:

The Montana Deaconess School, an institution for children within the bounds of our state and under the auspices of the Methodist Episcopal Church, has had ten years of unparalleled success. During the last six years, this institution has been turning away children from its doors, because of lack of accommodations.

This institution was established mainly through the efforts of the late Rev. W. W. Van Orsdel, Mrs. Jacob Mills, Dr. Edw. L. Mills, Miss Louise Stork, a deaconess, and some ministers who are now active on the Board of Trustees. Soon after the death of the late Rev. W. W. Van Orsdel, consensus of opinion deemed it fitting and wise that we should erect a suitable memorial to his life and work. A meeting was called in the city of Helena, last February, for the purpose of ascertaining what kind of a memorial should be erected and where it should be placed. Members of the Boards of Trustees of the Montana Wesleyan College and Montana Deaconess School as well as representatives of all the Deaconess Hospitals in the state were present. This meeting was very interesting, and at its close, the chairman appointed the four District Superintendents of our Church in Montana as a committee to make the decision. Within three weeks, it was unanimously decided that a building should be erected on the campus of the Montana Deaconess School, the same to be known as "Brother Van Memorial". Immediately afterwards, the Memorial organization was perfected, the Building Committee, Publicity Committee and the Campaign Committee have been quite active. Rev. John Chirgwin, the present Field Secretary of this institution, has been appointed to lead the campaign for $100,000.00. Mr. George Carsley, an architect, well known in Helena and throughout the state, has been chosen to direct the work. On the 28th day of this month, the ground is to be broken for the new building. Already, over Twenty Thousand Dollars has been subscribed for the Memorial. It can be readily seen that this is a great task given to the Field Secretary of the Montana Deaconess School. Should he be successful in raising Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars a day, it would take him nearly a year and a half to complete the work alone.

Be It Therefore Resolved, That this Conference endorse a campaign to be put on throughout the State of Montana, the first week in November, and that week to be known as "Bro. Van Memorial Week"; That from every Methodist pulpit in Montana, on the preceding Sabbath, October 31st, some reference be made to the life of this great man; That we here and now, endorse and enter into this program whole-heartedly, determined by the help of God, to go Forward.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN CHIRGWIN,
CHAS. L. BOVARD,
CHARLES D. CROUCH.

EDUCATION

1. We desire to voice the approval of, and readiness to support the changes which the recent General Conference made in the educational program for the Church. Recognizing the importance of the Children's Day Collection, we pledge our active co-operation in making this day a source of inspiration to our youth, and through generous offerings aid the Board of Education in its splendid work of assisting worthy Methodist young men and women in securing an education.

2. We voice our deep appreciation for the assistance rendered by the Board of Education through its gifts of five thousand dollars to the sustentation of the College during the past year, and its plan to increase the regular offering to the School from the Montana Conferences from 66% of the grade basis to 100%, which increases amounts to $2,331.00, and their promise to give Montana Wesleyan College every possible assistance during the coming year.

3. We wish to express our gratitude to the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension for the generous provision they have made for ex-service men; thirty-two young men were assisted through Montana Wesleyan College last year by grants of from one hundred to two hundred dollars, the total amount of help thus received being about $3,700.00.

4. While the apportionment of 8% of pastor's cash salary for Montana Wesleyan College automatically ceases under the Centenary Conservation plan, yet the Education Collection is included in the Centenary askings, and Montana Wesleyan receives its share. However, to meet the needs of Wesleyan, we recommend the observance of a Montana Wesleyan day to be held on the Sabbath immediately following the week of prayer for Colleges, and that on that day a sermon be delivered in every pulpit in the interest of our College and Christian Education, and that an offering be taken for our College.

5. In view of the increasing demands made upon the ministry in these days, we would emphasize the importance of thorough preparation of those who have the ministry in view, and of special theological training as a vital factor in such training; to such we commend the theological schools of our Church. We express our gratification of the good work being done at Kimball School of Theology, Salem, Oregon, founded for the purpose of serving the Church in this great Northwest, and note with satisfaction the strengthening of the faculty and plans for immediate enlargement of equipment and endowment.

6. We respectfully urge the establishment of a School for pastors under the direction and with the support of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, for the coming year at Montana Wesleyan College, such School to be open to the pastors of the Montana Conference and adjacent territory.

7. This year being the thirtieth anniversary of the founding of Montana Wesleyan College, we desire to acknowledge our indebtedness to the heroes of the faith who through long years amid diffi-

culties and discouragements builded our institution to its present efficiency and permanency. We desire to pledge our unswerving allegiance to the cause of Christian education in Montana, we will gladly open our pulpits to the cause, and we assure the Board of Trustees and the present administration of the College our hearty co-operation and support.

8. Growing out of the efforts of the Federal Council of Churches and the Interchurch movement, efforts have been made on the part of several denominations to bring about a union of educational interests in the state. While we in no wise are discouraged with the present outlook for our Methodist College, yet we feel that it would be a mistake to refuse the overtures of other denominations for at least a consideration of a union of interests. At their recent meeting at Bozeman, the Presbyterians appointed a Committee of nine to sit with like committees of the other denominations of the State, to consider the matter of unting the educational interests of the State around some one College. We recommend the appointment of a like Committee, three members from the Montana Conference, three members from the North Montana Conference, and three to be appointed by the Board of Trustees of Montana Wesleyan College, to consult with like Committees from other Churches, to see if any plans for harmonizing all interests be possible.

For the Montana Conference, we present the names of Charles M. Donaldson, Jacob Mills and George D. Wolfe, on this Committee.

9. We recommend the names of the following for trustees of Montana Wesleyan College, R. P. Smith and E. L. Mills to succeed themselves for a term of three years, and H. G. Humphrey to succeed Charles M. Donaldson for a term of two years.

We recommend Charles D. Crouch and Geo. D. Wolfe as Trustees of Kimball School of Theology, and the two District Superintendents as Conference Visitors to that Institution.

GEO. D. WOLFE.

MONTANA WESLEYAN COLLEGE

REPORT OF PRESIDENT

To the Members of the Montana Conference, Greetings:

It gives me great pleasure to bring the cheering word to the members of my old conference that Montana Wesleyan College has weathered the storm of war, drouth and financial panic and is continuing her voyage with fresh hope and promise. While having served as President of Montana Wesleyan College but a little over four months it has fallen to my lot to present at this time the annual report for our Methodist school. At the session of the Montana Conference held at Glendive late in August last year, Bishop Cook appointed me to act under Centenary direction as Business Administrator for the School. For some time previous, as chairman of the Executive Committee, an insight into the business affairs of Montana Wesleyan College was granted me, so it was with no misapprehension of the task

that I assumed the financial management of the institution. The uncertainty as to the completion of the new building had disorganized faculty and prospective student-body. The necessity of curtailment of expenditures along all lines was apparent.

Dean Lemon was chosen to look after the organizing of the faculty and the arrangement of the college courses. Splendidly did this gifted young man measure up to his task. With marked efficiency he carried forward the work of the school throughout the year. The enthusiasm and the loyalty of the student-body bears eloquent testimony to the vigor and efficiency of the work. The enrollment for all departments was 168, of these 66 were enrolled in the college department, 73 in the academy, 44 in the music department, and 24 in the commercial department.

A splendid faculty was secured and one of the best years in the history of Montana Wesleyan College resulted. The Board of Home Missions and Church Extension granted in all 32 war scholarships. This enabled 32 of our young men who had seen service overseas or in the training camps at home to enter Wesleyan College and carry forward their work. New courses in Education and Journalism were arranged and several departments greatly strengthened.

A vigorous publicity campaign was carried on and people over the state soon came to realize that Wesleyan was on the map. A championship football team, a successful Glee Club, winning teams in debate, and a general high average of scholarship gave the school a spirit and enthusiasm of high order. The close of the school year found graduating classes as follows: 14 had successfully completed the academic work; 3 received diplomas from the commercial school; 3 from the conservatory of music, and 3 graduated with the degree of B. A. from the college. When one considers the difficulties encountered and the uncertainty that marked the opening of the year, the success of the year seems all the more remarkable and high praise should be given Dean Lemon and the faculty for the success of the year's work.

Completion of Mills Hall.

The completion of the new dormitory, now known as Mills Hall, marks a distinct epoch in the growth and development of Montana Wesleyan. It has been said that "anything worth having is worth struggling for". If the value of the new building were to be measured by the struggles it has called forth, it is certainly worth a great deal to us. The entire building, as it now stands, completed, well equipped and furnished has cost in round numbers $125,000.00. If one were to ask me how the completion of the new building were financed I would be compelled to say, "By faith and prayer". With credit exhausted, bills on every hand, contractors demanding pay, and liens threatened, it seemed, late in August, as if the end had been reached. However, the bankers of Helena came to our aid, temporary loans were made, $10,000.00 at the Conrad Bank and $10,000.00 at the Union Bank, and the pressure thus relieved.

But this proved of only temporary relief. Letter after letter came to the office from the drouth sections of the state stating that it was impossible to meet the subscriptions and asking for an extension of time. The advisability of bonding the new building became apparent but there was already outstanding $20,000.00 in bonds on Helena Hall. Finally arrangements were made with Palmer and Company, Bonding Company, who held the old bonds on Helena Hall to take up these bonds in a new issue of $60,000.00. After the premium of $3,000.00, insurance and accrued interest on the old bonds was taken care of, $35,828.00 remained with which to finance the completion of the new building. With this amount of money the building was rapidly rushed to completion and on October 30 the formal opening of the new Mills Hall took place, Dr. Hancher, of the Board of Education, being the guest of the evening. The building, as it stands, has been pronounced by no less an authority than Dr. Stockwell, of the Presbyterian Board of Education, as being one of the finest buildings of its kind in the country. It stands as a splendid memorial to the self-sacrificing efforts and labors of Dr. Sweetland.

The committee to select furnishings for the rooms secured bids and prices and finally made a contract with A. P. Curtin. The furnishings include a rug, two beds, dresser, study table, two chairs, and a rocker. The total cost of the furnishings was $8,108.95.

Emergency Campaign.

Since the drouth throughout two-thirds of the state made the collection of the subscription of the first campaign almost impossible and since some $60,000.00 additional was needed to complete the building and meet the notes as they fell due, an emergency campaign was launched in the sections of the state where there was a chance of success. The southwestern portions of the state, including Great Falls, and Lewistown were canvassed, $13,322.00 being secured in pledges and $6,313.00 in collections. A campaign was then planned for Helena. Dr. W. M. Dudley, secured from the finance department of the Board of Education, assisted in the campaign. Rev. Huston, Rev. Haynes, Rev. Spaulding, Rev. Reid, Dr. Bovard, Dr. Crouch, and Rev. Mecklenburg gave splendid assistance. From the Helena campaign $46,479.08 was secured in pledges and cash subscriptions. In all new subscriptions have been taken to the amount of $60,914.08 and $21,066.48 in collections. Of this amount $7,647 10 has been collected on old subscriptions and $13,419.38 on the new subscriptions. While we are not yet out of the woods and will not be until all collections have been made, yet at last, thank God, there is a glimmer of light ahead and a promise of a new and brighter day for Wesleyan is assured.

Liabilities.

It will be seen by referring to the financial statement that Wesleyan faces financial liabilities totaling about $98,335.00. Of this amount $18,500.00 is due and payable this fall. In other words on outstanding

subscriptions and through additional gifts $20,000.00 must be secured to meet the obligations and interest falling due. Only a good crop and a general easing of the money situation can make this possible. The hearty co-operation of the pastors and various churches is necessary to meet the situation. We have outstanding and collectible $27,445.00 in former campaign subscriptions and $47,543.00 in emergency campaign subscriptions. During the years of war and drouth Montana Wesleyan, in common with other schools throughout the country, had difficulty in meeting its budget. August 31 last year the school faced an accumulated deficit of $6,482.70. Heroic efforts were made during the year to hold down the expenses and to keep within the budget but at the close of the present fiscal year we face a deficit in maintenance and sustentation of $1,307.00. This deficit for several years has acted as a millstone about the neck of the institution. As speedily as possible it should be entirely wiped out. From whatever angle one may view the affairs of Wesleyan, the necessity of an endowment is seen to be imperative. Just as soon as conditions warrant an endowment campaign for $300,000.00 must be planned. Without adequate endowment normal growth and development is impossible. We must gird ourselves for this effort and constantly bear in mind that our next great effort in Montana must be to protect the welfare of our college by an adequate endowment.

Aid From the Board of Education

Through the year splendid aid was given by the Board of Education, to the extent of $5,000.00. Without this aid Montana Wesleyan could not have carried through the program of the year. For ten years Montana Wesleyan College has been dependent upon the eight per cent collection from the conferences to meet its budget. This amount, by recent ruling, has been lost to us save as the Board of Education makes regular contributions to Montana Wesleyan College. To avoid confusion it is necessary that in the future all Centenary monies, including the gift for education and Wesleyan be sent to the Centenary treasurer. The college has faced serious embarrassment during the spring and summer months because only a comparatively small amount was sent in from the churches to apply on Sustentation. It has been suggested by the Board of Education, the suggestion being endorsed by the Executive Committee, that each of the charges of the North Montana and Montana Conferences be requested to set aside a Sunday service to present the cause of Montana Wesleyan College and take a collection for the same. It is suggested that the conference set as its goal for this special offering the sum of two thousand dollars. This, it is estimated, will bridge the gap and make up the difference between the old eight per cent apportionment and the regular amount sent out from the Centenary office through the Board of Education. Splendid encouragement has been given by Dr. Harris, Dr. Seaton, and Dr. Hancher, all of the Board of Education, Dr. Seaton and Dr. Hancher have both visited the college during the year and

made valuable suggestions concerning the development of the institution.

Outlook Bright.

While the financial statement indicates obligations to be met and burdens to be borne, yet the indebtedness rightly considered is not a measure of failure but rather a measure of growth and development. Until recently Wesleyan was not in a position to offer any regular college work. Now it offers the full four years' course with sanction from the Board of Education to grant the B. A. and B. S. degrees. A few years ago the teaching force was comparatively few in numbers, now there are sixteen full time teachers, eight of whom have masters degrees, with a number of assistant instructors. The growth of the college during recent years is indicated in the number enrolled in the college. In 1916, 15 students were doing college work; in 1917 there were 40 college students enrolled; in 1918, 33; in 1919 the enrollment for the college was 66. It is gratifying to note the steadily increasing number of college students. While Montana Wesleyan is proud to offer opportunity for young men and young women who have not had opportunity to do their full preparatory work, yet the future of the college should tend more and more to the development of the collegiate work.

Preachers and Life Service Summer School.

A number of summer schools for pastors have been held throughout the country under the direction and management of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. It is the hope and plan of the present administration to secure, if possible, a summer school for city pastors to be held at Montana Wesleyan College. Institutes for rural pastors have been held at Gooding and other nearby points but a great many of our ministers have expressed a desire to attend a school for city pastors. It is greatly hoped that the Board of Home Missions will grant this request.

For some years our plea has been for more workers for Montana. This problem will be largely met through the development of the college courses at Wesleyan and the emphasis upon life service. At the present time at Wesleyan we have ten young preachers in training and forty who have expressed a desire to enter life service in some form or other. This life workers group is an earnest, loyal, enthusiastic body of students. We expect the number to be largely increased during the coming year. From such a group Montana Methodism is sure to secure some splendid recruits for the work on rural charges, in Deaconess hospitals, and in our schools.

Improvements.

Several quite necessary improvements have been planned and will be carried out as rapidly as financial conditions warrant. A street improvement district has been created extending from the street car track well beyond the buildings. Sidewalks, boulevarding, lights

and trees will be installed and the street widened and brought to a uniform grade. The work is temporarily halted because of the difficulty in placing the bonds at the present time. It is hoped, however, that this improvement will be made during the fall. Plans are also on the way to building a fence around the athletic field and work has already been started on this. As soon as the street grade is fixed, walks and roads about the buildings will be completed. The Epworth Leagues of Montana have generously provided for the improvement of the campus.

Aim for the Year.

Our anxiety and prayer is to make Montana Wesleyan a Christian college in fact as well as in name. We believe that Christian education has a distinct field and also a distinct appeal. To interpret the truth as it is in Jesus Christ is the high aim which we hold to face the work of the year.

The task before us is a hard one. If the writer felt that he were undertaking the task alone his courage would fail. He refuses, however, to be isolated in a task of such general interest and value. He claims the sympathy and co-operation of the splendid brotherhood of the Methodist ministry of the Montana Conferences. As a fellow worker assigned to a task of mutual interest he seeks your counsel, your sympathetic co-operation, and your prayers. It is God's work. the call to develop a Christian leadership is upon the church. Montana Wesleyan College furnishes the opportunity. We must back it to the last man for it is abundantly worth while.

CHAS. M. DONALDSON.

EPWORTH LEAGUE

Believing that the Epworth League is the training school for ministers, missionaries, deaconesses and other leaders in Church activities, we pledge our support of the entire program of the Montana State Epworth League. We pledge ourselves to do our utmost in organizing a League in each charge, to aid in the establishment of study classes in Bible, Missions, Stewardship and Citizenship, to help enroll the young people in the Morning Watch, and the work of Mercy and Help, and in promoting the social program of the young people. We express our readiness to co-operate in raising the sum of five cents per week per member for the support of the missionary and promotion work of the League. We recognize the large place which the Junior League has in the life of the Church, and pledge our hearty support to the State program which seeks a more intensive work among our boys and girls. Realizing that there is no other one agency in the Church today that is providing the means and inspiration in directing the young people of our Church into definite Christian leadership, we nominate and appoint every minister of this Conference as a special booster for the Epworth League Institute at Wolf Creek in 1921, and urge that not less than four young people be sent from each charge to the Institute.

J. G. ROSS,
CHARLES F. WOLFE.

HOME MISSIONS

Your Board of Home Missions and Church Extension respectfully report that during the conference year they have held regular meetings that all business intrusted to us we have given the most careful and prompt attention.

During the year we have been favored with a delightful visit from Dr. M. P. Burns of the department of Cities. We thankfully acknowledge our indebtedness to his wise counsel and brotherly consideration.

It is the purpose of the churches of Butte under the inspiration of your Conference Board to proceed in the near future to the organization of a City Mission.

We also record our appreciation of the help rendered us by Dr. E. L. Mills at this Conference session and rejoice in the constant interest he manifests in the work of our Church in the Treasure state.

During the year we have acted on the following applications:

Loans

Anaconda	$3,500.00

Donations.

Fairview	$ 500.00	Butte, Floral Park	$ 352.00
Miles City	3,200.00	White Pine	200.00
St. Paul's, Helena	700.00	Three Forks	750.00
Butte, Silver Bow	1,000.00	Helena, Oakes Street	2,000.00

This generous aid together with the splendid maintenance provision amounting to $16,850.00 was only possible because of the great Centenary success.

We therefore urge all pastors to give diligent attention to the collection of Centenary subscriptions and constantly endeavor to find new subscribers to the fund.

The following are our askings for the coming year which we pledge ourselves to administer with the most scrupulous care and economy:

Maintenance, Butte District	$ 8,400.00
Building Project, Butte District	9,500.00
Maintenance, Yellowstone District	8,100.00
Building, Yellowstone District	14,500.00

Building Projects.

Butte District

Avon Circuit	$ 500
Butte: Grace	500
Butte: Mt. Bethel	2,000
Butte: Silver Bow	3,000
Helena, Oakes St.	500
Philipsburg	500

Yellowstone District

Baker	$ 3.000
Hardin	3.000
Ingomar	1,000
Joliet Circuit	1.500
Richey	1,000

Thompson Falls	500	Sidney	4,000
Twin Bridges	2,000	Wilsall	1,000
Total	$9,500	Total	$14,500

Attested by:

CHARLES WESLEY BURNS,
Bishop.

CHAS. RHODES,
Secretary of Conference.

NEGRO EDUCATION.

One of the strategic enactments of the recent historic General Conference was the election for the first time of General Superintendents of negro blood. These bishops are the product of the Schools which are operating under what will for the future be known as the Board of Negro Education instead of the Freedmen's Aid Society as formerly.

Since the colored man has demonstrated his ability to take his place with his white brethren in things pertaining to the Kingdom of God, we call upon our pastors to observe as never before, in proper form, Lincoln Sunday for the adequate presentation of the claims of the said Board of Negro Education.

CONFERENCE STEWARDS.

Income.

For Annuity Distribution:

Book Concern Dividend	$ 886.00
Chartered Fund Dividend	35.00
Part of Support paid by the Churches	1,978.00
Income from Conference Investments	125.00
Total	$ 3,024.00

For Necessitous Distribution:

Board of Conference Claimants' Dividend	$ 500.00
Part of Support Paid by Churches	891.00
Total	$4,415.00

Number of Effective Members of Conference	36	
Total average salary received by them		$1,300.00
Legal rate for each year of "effective" service (1/70 of the average salary)		18.50

Years to be accounted for, including all relinquished years

Retired ministers ("effective" years, plus two years on trial)	264
Widows (three-fourths of "effective years served with husband)	126
Children (one-fifth of father's "effective" years for each child)	8
Retired Ministers; years relinquished	56
Widows; years relinquished	6
Total "full" years of preachers, widows and children	398

Total of Annuity Claims figured at above rate, $18.50 per year multiplied by 398 "full" years $7,363.00

Rate paid this year, $9.00 per year, or 50% of the legal rate.

Distribution to Preachers.

	Years Counted	Amount Paid	Special Aid	Total Paid
A. P. Morrison	43	$387	$ 13	$400
John Hosking	24	216	44	260
Andrew Kershaw	30	270	.....	270
S. E. Snider	22	198	202	400
S. A. Oliver	32	288	.....	288
J. A. Badcon	25	225	.....	225
G. D. King	25	*	.....	.....
Jacob Mills	31	*	.....	.....
W. H. Calvert	....	288	.....	288
Wilder Nutting	....	198	.....	198

*Relinquished.

Distribution to Widows.

	Years Allowed Three-fourths	Annuity Paid	Special Aid	Total Paid
Mrs. Cordelia Lowry	11	$ 99	$ 26	$125
Mrs. A. D. Raleigh	18	162	288	450
Mrs. Clara Ware	25	225	.....	225
Mrs. Ida Hall	7	63	37	100
Mrs. Allan Rodger	8	72	228	300
Mrs. L. H. Mickel	12	108	.....	108
Mrs. C. P. Adams	15	135	25	160
Mrs. Isia B. Miller	6	*	.....	.....
Mrs. J. W. Tait	20	180	120	300
Mrs. J. M. Whiteley	4	36	64	100

*Relinquished.

Distribution to Children.

	Father's Effeective Years	Years Allowed One-fifth	Annuity Paid	Special Aid	Total Paid
Morris Adams	20	5	$45	$ 25	$ 70
Gertrude Snider		3	27	123	150

HENRY A. JAMES, President.
JOHN A. MEEKE, Secretary.
CHARLES E. CUNNINGHAM, Treasurer.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We express our pleasure in the selection of Dr. W. S. Bovard to the Secretaryship of the Board of Sunday Schools, and pledge our loyal co-operation.

We appreciate the visit of Dr. M. J. Trenery, and his vigorous and inspiring presentation of the work of the Board.

We urge the holding of a Sunday School Training Conference at Montana Wesleyan College, at some time during the summer of 1921, and request the Board of Sunday Schools to help provide strong leadership on the teaching force of such School.

We further request the appointment of two additional Sunday School missionaries by the Board of Sunday Schools, one to do special intensive work throughout the State, and the other to do extension work in the unoccupied territory within the bounds of the Montana Conference.

We urge the pastors to organize leadership training classes in every Church, and wherever possible to organize and help maintain Sunday Schools in communities adjacent to their parishes where they are needed. We urge the use of graded Sunday School literature in all our Schools.

We commend the liberal offers of the Board of Sunday Schools to grant free literature to Sunday Schools requiring such aid in order to live.

We commend the Bureau of Architecture to any charge contemplating the erection of a new Church in order that adequate provision be made in such churches for Sunday School purposes.

CHAS. M. DONALDSON,
H. G. HUMPHREY.

TEMPERANCE, PROHIBITION AND PUBLIC MORALS

We congratulate the people of Montana and of the Methodist Episcopal Church on the splendid victories in the cause of Prohibition won in the last few years. The work of our own Board of Temperance Prohibition and Public Morals is to us and to the nation a cause for thanksgiving. To our co-workers in the great fight for public righteousness the Anti-Saloon League and the Woman's Christian Temperance Union we extend our felicitations and assure them of our continued fellowship with them in every good work and word.

Every reason which impelled the people of Montana to work and vote in former years against any legislation making prize fighting lawful in our State is still good. We urge every lover of decency and clean sport to vote and work against the proposed law Referendum Measure No. 14 at the coming election.

We cordially endorse the plan to erect in Washington, Methodist Buildings that will house our Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals and urge our Pastors as far as possible to co-operate in raising the money for that much needed enterprise.

We hereby express our appreciation of the visit of Dr. C. C. Rarrick to our Conference and hope he will come our way again.

We urge our people to continued efforts on the behalf of National Prohibition. The friends of the accursed liquor traffic are constant in their efforts to weaken or nullify our National Prohibition Amendment and the enforcement act. We who believe in righteousness have need for the most heroic and unceasing efforts if we would retain what we have and keep America dry.

The whole world is watching us. If we believe in a dry world we must bend every effort to make our National Prohibition laws respected and observed at home. Looking forward to the day when intoxicating liquors shall be banished from all lands we hereby pledge our utmost endeavors on behalf of World-Wide Prohibition.

GEO. D. WOLFE.

TREASURER.

1919-20 CONFERENCE OF METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF MONTANA.

IN ACCOUNT WITH JACOB MILLS, TREASURER.

Aug. 20/19	Bal. on hand	$2,500.03
Sept. 8/19	Paid C. E. Cunningham, Treasurer C. C. Fund	136.00
		$2,364.03
Sept. 8/19	Transfer from Bannack Church Fund, see Conference Minutes, 1919, page 264	78.28
	Transfer from Pyretees Church Fund, see Conference Minutes, 1919, page 264	28.71
	Transfer from Chestnut Church Fund, see Conference Minutes, 1919, page 264	29.08
May 12/20	First Trust & Savings Bank, Billings, final payment (Loss $82.01)	54.88
Aug. 20/20	Interest accrued @ 5%	125.70
	Total C. C. Fund	$2,680.68

Aug. 20/20	White Sulphur Springs, parsonage fund, Bal.	$ 30.60	
Nov. 28/19	Mrs. Rader on sale of parsonage %	100.00	
May 20/20	Mrs. Rader, balance on sale of parsonage	300.00	
		$ 430.60	
	Revenue Stamps and Recording Deed	1.50	429.10
	Accrued Interest		5.28
			$ 434.38
	Ovando Parsonage Fund, Balance last year	$ 578.05	
Aug. 20/20	Accrued interest @ 5%	28.90	$ 606.95
	Bozeman Church mortgage note (Yellowstone District Parsonage Fund)	2,840.30	
	By 4 interest payments @ $42.60 each	170.40	
	To paid Edward Smith, D. S., $170.40		
July 26	East Gallatin Parsonage Fund.		
	By the hand of Edward Smith, D. S.	80.18	
	Interest accrued	.33	
		$ 80.51	

Respectfully submitted,
JACOB MILLS, Treasurer.

(c) THE CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Tuesday, August 24. Conference Examinations. 8 p. m. Public reception for Bishop Burns, at St. Paul's Church, Dr. Charles L. Bovard, Supt. Butte District, presiding. Addresses of welcome, Gov. S. V. Stewart and Rt. Rev. Bishop William F. Faber. Response by Bishop Charles Wesley Burns.

Wednesday, August 25. 8:30 a. m., Devotions led by the Bishop. 9 a. m. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Roll Call, Organization and Conference Session. 1:30 p. m., Statistical Session and organization of Committees. 2 p. m., Pastors' Conference at Grand Street Church. 8 p. m., Anniversary of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, Rev. H. G. Humphrey presiding. Address by Dr. Edward Laird Mills.

Thursday, August 26. 8:30 a. m., Devotions led by the Bishop. 9 a. m. Conference Session. 2 p. m., Anniversary of Board of Conference Claimants, J. A. Meeke, Chairman. Address by Dr. Charles R. Oaten of Chicago. 3 p. m., Anniversary of the W. H. M. S., Mrs. N. H. Fuller presiding. Address by Mrs. David Bowers. 6 p. m., Annual "Caleb"

Banquet at Mills Hall. Talks by Calebs and the Bishop, followed at 7:30 by Anniversary Board of Education, Chas. M. Donaldson, D. D., president of Montana Wesleyan College, presiding. Address by Dr. J. L. Seaton, Assistant Secretary of the Board of Education.

Friday, August 28. 8:30 a. m., Devotions led by the Bishop. 9 a. m., Conference Session. 10 a. m., Laymen's Meeting at Grand St. Church. 2 p. m., Anniversary Board of Sunday Schools, Rev. J. O. Randall presiding. Address by Dr. M. J. Trenery of Chicago. 3 p. m., Anniversary Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals, Rev. Jesse Lacklen presiding. Address by Dr. Chas. E. Rarick of Washington, D. C. 9 p. m., Anniversary of W. F. M. S.—Pageant, "The Torch Bearers" by local auxiliary.

Saturday, August 28. 8:30 a. m., Devotions led by Bishop Burns. 9 a. m., Conference Session. 11 a. m., Joint Session of the Conference and the Laymen's Association. 2 p. m., auto drive through the beautiful Helena Valley. 3 p. m., Anniversary of Deaconess Board. Exercises at Deaconess School, Invocation, Rev. J. A. Martin; addresses by Dr. D. W. Howell of Buffalo, N. Y., and Bishop Burns. Singing by the Deaconess Quartette. Ground breaking for "Brother Van" Memorial Building, prayer by Rev. Charles D. Crouch, D. D. Lunch served by the management of the School.

Sunday, August 29. 9 a. m., Conference Love Feast in charge of Rev. Jacob Mills, D. D. 10:30, Public Worship: Sermon by Bishop Burns. 2:30 p. m., Consecration of Deaconesses and Ordination of Deacons and Elders. 7 p. m., Epworth League platform meeting, Rev. John G. Ross presiding. Addresses by Rev. Chas. F. Wolfe and Mrs. Belle Harmon. 8 p. m., Public Worship, Rev. Edward Smith presiding. Sermon by Dr. Howell.

Monday, August 30. 8:00 a. m., Devotions led by Bishop Burns. Conference Session. Reading of Appointments. Adjournment.

IX Plan of Conference Examinations

BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

Two examiners for each year's study. These two examiners to divide studies as agreeable to themselves. Examiners to continue in same year until changed by Conference.

John A. Meeke, Chairman, Hardin.
Thomas Hardie, Registrar, Miles City.

For Admission on Trial—

Examiners, A. D. Welch, Fred Whitford.
The English Language.
(a) The art of Writing English, Brown and Barnes. F. Whitford.
(b) American History, James and Sanford. A. D. Welch.
Doctrines and Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church. F. Whitford.
Life of John Wesley, Winchester. A. D. Welch.
Written Paper.
Written Sermon.

First Year—

Examiners, H. G. Humphrey, Chas. F. Wolfe.
New Testament History—Rall. H. G. Humphrey.
Human Behavior—Calvin and Bagley, C. F. Wolfe.
The Making of a Sermon—Pattison. H. G. Humphrey.
How to Study and Teaching How to Study—McMurray. C. F. Wolfe.

Second Year—

Examiners, Edward Smith, E. D. Swisher.
Dictionary of the Bible—Hastings. Edward Smith.
The Bible in the Making—Smyth. Edward Smith.
How We Got Our Bible—Smyth. Edward Smith.
Short History of the Christian Church—Moncrief. Edward Smith.
The Pupil and the Teacher—Weigle. E. D. Swisher.
The Graded Sunday School in Principle and Practice—Meyer. E. D. Swisher.
The Way to Win—Fisher. E. D. Swisher.

Third Year—

Examiners, E. C. Bartlett, T. Hardie.
Beacon Lights of Prophecy—Knudsen. T. Hardie.
Foundations of Christian Belief—Strickland. E. C. Bartlett.
Socialism and Modern Social Problems—Ellwood. T. Hardie.
Introduction to the Study of Modern Comparative Religion—Jevons. E. C. Bartlett.

Fourth Year—

Examiners, Paul M. Adams, J. G. Ross.
Paul and His Epistles—Hayes. P. M. Adams.
System of Christian Doctrine—Sheldon. P. M. Adams.

Everyday Ethics—Cabot. J. G. Ross.
The New Home Missions—Douglas. J. G. Ross.
Social Aspects of Foreign Missions—France. J. G. Ross.

Local Preacher's Course—
John A. Meeke.

Local Deacon's Orders—
E. C. Bartlett, Thomas Hardie.

Local Elder's Orders—
J. A. Meeke.

NOTES FOR EXAMINERS AND APPLICANTS.

1. Each examiner is required to send to the Chairman a list of questions not later than October 1, 1920.

2. Each candidate will notify the Chairman when ready to pass on any book.

3. The persons conducting an examination will send the candidate's answers to their respective examiners, and the questions back to the Chairman.

4. Each examiner will send three (typewritten, if possible) copies of questions to Chairman, retaining one copy for himself, and after examining the papers submitted by candidate will forward grades to the Registrar.

5. It shall be the duty of the undergraduates desiring to present credit for any subject pursued in school, or Conference, to confer with the examiner before Conference, stating the subject for which he desires credit and to present satisfactory evidence of his standing in the same before the Board of Examiners at its annual meeting at the seat of Conference.

6. Local preachers will apply directly to John A. Meeke, Hardin for information and questions on that course.

7. After the opening session of Conference no candidate will hereafter be admitted to examination.

8. Examiners will keep account of postage expense and submit same to board at annual meeting.

9. Read carefully what the Discipline says, relating to Conference examination. (Appendix, Chapter 8.)

10. Write all sermons, essays, and answers to questions neatly with ink on one side of the paper.

11. Examinations must be taken before a member of the Examining Board, or some person suggested by the District Superintendent. Candidates appointed to remote charges are requested, as far as possible, to arrange to take their examination during the visits of the Superintendent.

12. The Secretary of the Conference is instructed to pay bills incurred by the Chairman and Registrar for the typewriting and postage necessary in the preparation and transmission of examination questions.

13. Each candidate will be required to present a synopsis of each book of collateral reading, same to consist of not less than one thousand words.

X Memoirs

REV. W. W. VAN ORSDEL, D. D.
"BROTHER VAN".

In recognition of forty-seven years of faithful, persevering, pioneer efforts in behalf of the Church which he so worthily served; in appreciation of continuous and loyal support of the educational and philanthropic institutions of the state; in memory of a kind, brotherly and whole-hearted devotion to the cause of Methodism; and in honor of a strong noble characted deeply beloved throughout Montana, we desire to voice the following resolutions:

First, W. W. Van Orsdel was a man faithful to his task. Called to Montana by the spirit of God in the days when the country was rough and undeveloped, he ministered to humanity under all conditions, in low places and in high places with an eye single to the glory of God and the welfare of those with whom he came in contact. He never shirked a hard task and in winter's cold and summer's heat, he was ever found faithful to his call.

Second, W. W. Van Orsdel was ever a man of vision and prayer. In rough mining town and rude frontier stopping place he could see opportunities for the building of the church of the future. Where human need was greatest he could see hospitals emerging, and in a sparsely settled state he could in vision see the college and school necessary for the training of Christian leadership. Through faith he caught the vision of a great and abounding Methodism for Montana. By prayer and works he brought it nigh.

Third, Rev. Van Orsdel was ever true to the faith of the Fathers. A rich, full religious experience was his. The power that had changed his life and the sweetness of the Gospel peace which he possessed he ever wished to share with others. His mission in life, word, and deed was to exalt Christ as Savior and only Savior of men.

Methodism owes a great debt to this Gospel pioneer. In recognition of his services we voice these words of appreciation, and at the call of the Bishop we would stand for a few moments in silent prayer that the spirit of this great and good man may fall upon us as we take up anew the many tasks of developing the Kingdom of God in the state which he so dearly loved.

C. M. DONALDSON.

XI Roll of the Dead

OUR HONORED DEAD.

Name	Conf.	Died	Place of Burial
1—Adams, C. P.	1912	1914	Sumatra
2—Bennett, J. W.	1887	1913	Missoula
3—Berk, Alexis	1896	1896	Unknown
4—Canfield, Wm.	1891	1892	Virginia City
5—Clampitt, H. P.	1887	1888	Butte
6—Comfort, George	1887	1908	Lanesboro, Pa.
7—Duncan, Hugh	1887	1887	Sheridan
8—Garvin, Thomas	1893	1901	Loyalton, Cal.
9—Hall, Marion J.	1887	1905	Los Angeles, Cal.
10—Hall, William	1887	1898	Pine Creek
11—Jenkins, G. W.	1888	1901	Philipsburg
12—Lowry, Phillip	1888	1896	Anaconda
13—Mickel, L. H.	1892	1910	Bozeman
14—Miller, C. E.	1897	1909	Billings
15—Raleigh, A. D.	1887	1908	Helena
16 Rodger, Allan	1891	1904	Great Falls
17—Snyder, Wm. E.	1889	1915	Roseburg, Ore.
18—Taft, H. S.	1889	1899	Columbia Falls
19—Tait, J. W.	1889	1918	Anaconda
20—Van Scoy, Thomas	1898	1901	Helena
21—Ware, I. S.	1904	1915	Bozeman
22—Warman, Henry	1892	1903	Glendive
23—Whiteley, Jno. M.	1909	1919	Glendive

In case of misinformation, corrections will be welcomed by the Secretary.

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STATISTICAL TABLES, 1920

STATISTICIANS REPORT—BUTTE DISTRICT—MONTANA CONFERENCE FOR 1920

List No.	NAME OF CHARGE	NAME OF PASTOR	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT											Local Preachers, No. on Charge.
			Support of Pastor			Support District Supt.		Support of Bishops		Support Conf. Cl'm'nts		Total Paid for Ministr'l Sup.	Tot'l Defic'ncy	
			Total Claim Inc. Rent House	Total Paid Inc. Rent House	Rental Val. of P'rs'n'ge	Claim	Paid	Claim	Paid	Claim	Paid			
1	Anaconda	Charles F. Wolfe	2300	2300	500	180	180	36	36	108	108	2624		2
2	Avon	William Koehler	300	200		10	10	6	6	18	18	200	100	
3	Big Blackfoot	Samuel Fletcher		150			15		3		10	178		
4	Butte: Grace	Charles Rhodes	2040	2040	540	150	150	30	30	90	90	2310		
5	Butte: Italian Mission	John A. Smith												
6	Butte: Mount Bethel and Wesley	George Reid	1300	1144	300	100	74	20	15	50	35	968	202	6
7	Butte: Mountain View	George D. Wolfe	3300	3300	600	270	270	57	57	165	165	3792		3
8	Butte: Trinity	W. H. Pascoe	1500	1500	300	120	120	24	24	72	60	1704	12	1
9	Butte: Unity and Silver Bow	F. C. Fulford	1700	1700	300	140	140	28	28	84	84	1952		
10	Clancy and Jefferson	Ira F. Rankin	400	400		30	30	7	7	24	24	461		
11	Dillon	H. G. Humphrey	2480	2480	480	200	200	40	40	120	120	2840		
12	Dillon Circuit	H. G. Humphrey												
13	Drummond and Hall	Thomas H. Barker	1400	1400	200	120	120	24	24	72	72	1616		
14	Hamilton	K. O. Pearson	1240	1240	240	100	100	20	20	60	60	1420		
15	Helena: Oakes Street	A. E. Plummer	1040	1040	240	80	80	16	16	40	40	1156		2
16	Helena: St. Paul's	Charles D. Crouch	2700	2700	300	240	240	48	48	144	144	2832		2
17	Lolo Circuit	A. Lucas												
18	Meadow Creek	Louis Ortmayer	1015	870	240	77	62	15	12	46	38	742	170	2
19	Missoula	Jesse Lacklen	2820	2820	420	240	240	54	54	120	120	3234		2
20	Philipsburg	Fred Anstice	800	800	100	70	70	13	13	42	42	925		
21	Ronan	James Hughes	920	920	120	60	45	12	12	36	36	1028		1
22	St. Ignatius	William H. Tester		627			30		10		20	687		
23	Sheridan and Ruby	Otho Wise	1240	1240	240	100	80	20	20	60	8	1348	72	
24	Stevensville	P. D. Hartman	810	810		80	80	17	17	49	49	956		1
25	Superior and Alberton	L. E. Simes	920	920	200	72	72	14	14	43	43	849		
26	Thompson and Plains	Wilder Nutting	1350	1220	250	70	50	20	5	60	20	1295	205	
27	Three Forks	Thomas R. Clarkson	650	650	300	40	40	12	12	36	36	738		
28	Townsend and Radersburg	C. E. Cunningham	1500	1500	300	120	120	24	24	72	72	1716		
29	Twin Bridges	Russel R Kletzing	1350	1030	150	120	88	24	17	72	52	1187	379	
30	Whitehall	Fred T. Spencer	1470	1147	420	105	80	21	16	63	27	1393	389	
31	Winston and Marysville	Carl Knudson	400	247		25	25	4	4	24	24	300	153	
32		Totals for 1920	36945	36395	6740	2919	2811	606	584	1770	1617	40451	1682	22
33		Totals for 1919	34159	33883	6314	2697	2642	509	472	1516	1408	38380	778	19
34		Increase	2786	2512	426	222	169	97	112	254	209	2071	904	3
35		Decrease												

NAME OF CHARGE	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP: Baptisms: Adults Baptized	Baptisms: Children Baptized	Baptisms: Bap. Child'n under Inst.	Prep. Mem.: Received during yr.	Prep. Mem.: Now on Roll	Full Members: Full M'b'rs on Roll	Full Members: Non-resid'nt Members	Deaths during Yr.	Sunday Schools: Sunday Schls.	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollm't all depts.	Epworth League: Senior Members	Epworth League: Junior Members	List No.	Church Property: Church Bldgs.	Estimated Val. Land & Bldgs	Parsonages	Estimated Val. Land & Bldgs	Paid for bldg & Imp. on Chs. & Parsonages	Paid on old Ind'btd'ss, Chs. & Prs'n'ges.	Pr's'nt Debt on Churches and Parsonages	Current Expenses	Gen. Conf. Ex.: Appr't'd for Quadrennium.	Pd this year.	Bal. due for Quadrennium.	List No.
Anaconda	3	10		35	50	374	102	4	1	27	337	30		1	25000	1	6500	1800		3500	1563		12		1
Avon					12	12								1	3200	1					344				2
Big Blackfoot		6		6	6	13			4	12	75			2	3000						178	4	4		3
Butte: Grace		17		2		94	4	2	1	15	205	25		1	10000	2	7000		282	1500	530		8		4
Italian Mission						2		1	1	2	55			1	350	1	900	250			10				5
Mt. Bethel & Wesley		9		39	14	82	10		2	23	201			2	3300	1	1250	42			143				6
Mountain View	2	15		60	60	640	25	3	1	35	665	40		1	30000	1	5000	500			2300				7
Trinity	2	9	22	33	22	149		2	1	18	233	30	87	1	10000	1	2500	75			420				8
Unity and Silver Bow	1	39	25	23	7	135	10		2	24	320	65	60	2	17000			300			2415		5		9
Clancy and Jefferson						42	9		1	5	45			2	2550	1	1100			150	24				10
Dillon	16	30		47	9	275	17	2	1	29	265	34	25	1	12500	2	17000	150			650				11
Dillon Circuit										18	120			1		1									12
Drummond and Hall	1	9	15	3	73	73	4	2	3	12	142	18	12	3	5000	1	2000	150			2678	20	9	11	13
Hamilton		4	6		2	115	18	2	1	20	120	14	6	1	3000	1	2500	250			85				14
Helena: Oakes Street	1	8		1	5	57		1	1	14	147	19	43	1	1500	1	3000	7528			200				15
St. Paul's	21	15	12	16		341	30	6	1	20	285	61	6	1	40000	1	3000	1540	800		1465	96	24	72	16
Lolo Circuit														1											17
Meadow Creek		1		5	5	34	5	3	3	16	85			3	6000	1	2500				50				18
Missoula	1	33	25	63	25	504	22	6	2	47	572	47	55	2	52000	1	5000	250			5000		8		19
Philipsburg	1	3		14		43		1	1	13	128			1	5000	1	1000	500			95	8	8		20
Ronan		7				66	12		2	18	157	13	20	2	4000	1	5000	50			153		6		21
St. Ignatius						19			3	19	144			1	2000				50	50						22
Sheridan and Ruby	8	8		6		57	13	1	2	11	123			3	5450	2	2500				1460				23
Stevensville	6		1	16		130		1	1	6	80	30	15	1	3500	1	3000	100			100				24
Superior and Alberton	2	1		6		30	10	1	2	18	160			2	4500	1	1100	100			40	12	12		25
Thompson and Plains	3	7		1		76	21	2	4	25	230	15		3	6000	1	2500		987		250				26
Three Forks		2		8	12	51	35		1	10	92			1	23000	1	4000	1275		325	133	12		12	27
Townsend and Radersburg	4	6		18	18	70	12	1	2	15	150	20	35	2	6000	1	2000	100		100	100	20	17		28
Twin Bridges					5	70			1	9	79	29	18	1	2000	1	1500				180	24		24	29
Whitehall	8	6	5	5	5	28	6	1	3	16	184	10	20	2	5000	1	2000	1000		1000	150				30
Winston and Marysville	6	25	4	12	9	18	3		2	7	65			2	5000	1	1000				326	4	4		31
Totals for 1920	86	270	115	419	339	3600	368	42	50	504	5483	500	402	49	295850	30	84850	15960	2119	6625	21042	200	117	119	32
Totals for 1919	87	228	180	275	213	3488	274	53	48	483	5353	634	300	46	273950	28	68450	7109	4999	3260	21199	196	127		33
Increase		42		144	126	112	94		2	21	130		102	3	21900	2	16400	8851		3365		4			34
Decrease	1		65					11				134							2880		157		10		35

STATISTICIANS REPORT—YELLOWSTONE DISTRICT—MONTANA CONFERENCE FOR 1920

List No.	NAME OF CHARGE	NAME OF PASTOR	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT												Local Preachers, No. on Charge.
			Support of Pastor			Support District Supt.		Support of Bishops		Support Conf. Cl'm'nts		Total Paid for Ministr'l Sup.	Tot'l Defic'ncy		
			Total Inc. Rent Claim House	Total Inc. Rent Paid House	Rental Val. of Prs'nge	Claim	Paid	Claim	Paid	Claim	Paid				
1	Alzada Circuit														
2	Ashland Circuit	W. K. Ridenour	600	411		60	34					446			
3	Baker	H. E. Chappell	1300	1300	300	100	100	16	16	60	60	1476			
4	Billings	J. O. Randall	3500	3500	500	300	300	61	61	180	180	4041			2
5	Bloomfield Circuit														
6	Bozeman	R. P. Smith	2500	2500	400	210	210	53	53	137	137	2900			
7	Bridger and Fromberg	E. D. Swisher	2320	2320	420	190	190	38	38	114	114	2662			
8	Clyde Park	C. E. Fenton	1300	1150	300	100	85	20	17	60	51	1303	174		
9	Comanche Circuit	W. A. Parkinson	680	510	180	33	33	7	7	20	20	570	170		
10	Edwards Circuit	E. E. Van Ness													
11	Fairview	H. M. Cooper	1100	1100	300	80	80	16	8	48	17	1205	39		
12	Forsyth	W. C. Smith	1500	1500	300	120	120	30	30	60	60	1690			
13	Fish Tail Circuit														
14	Glendive	John G. Ross	2400	2400	600	180	180	36	36	108	108	2724			
15	Hardin	G. M. Carter	2400	2270	600	150	150					2420			
16	Huntley Circuit	Fred Whitford	1500	1355	300	120	57	24	24	60	60	1496	288		
17	Ingomar Circuit	W. C. Smith		100								100			
18	Joliet Circuit	H. W. Woods		66			5					71	1		
19	Laurel	O. G. Ponath	1357	1260	300	96	40	19	5	57	12	1317	115		
20	Livingston	H. A. James	1860	1860	360	150	150	30	30	90	90	2130			
21	Miles City	Thomas Hardie	2500	2500	400	210	210	42	42	126	126	2878			1
22	Park City and Reed Point	A. T. Peck	600	600	100	50	70	11	11	30	30	711			
23	Pine Creek (Livingston P. O.)	W. G. R. Dann	1400	1400	200	120	120	30	30	72	72	1622			
24	Red Lodge	E. C. Bartlett	1500	1500	300	120	120	24	24	72	72	1716			
25	Red Lodge Circuit	E. C. Bartlett	450	450		45	45	9	9	27	27	531			
26	Richey Circuit		1120	1095	25	100	38	21		64		1133	147		
27	Sidney	A. D. Welch	1950	1950	450	150	150	30	30	90	90	2220			2
28	Sioux Pass	H. M. Cooper													
29	Wibaux	W. H. Calvert	620	620	120	50	50					670			4
30	Wilsall	Thomas Miller	1740	1740	240	110	110	20	20	60	60	1930			
31		Totals for 1920	36197	35457	6795	2844	2647	537	491	1535	1386	39961	943		9
32		Totals for 1919	29906	30339	5586	2432	2285	494	436	1349	1129	32473	684		5
33		Increase	6291	5118	1209	412	362	43	55	186	257	7488	59		4
34		Decrease													

RECAPITULATION BLANK—MONTANA CONFERENCE FOR 1920

1	Butte	Charles L. Bovard	36945	36395	6740	2919	2811	606	584	1770	1617	40451	1682	22
2	Yellowstone	Edward Smith	36197	35457	6795	2844	2647	537	491	1535	1386	39961	943	9
3		Grand Totals, 1920	73142	71852	13535	5763	5458	1143	1075	3305	3003	80412	2625	31
4		Grand Totals, 1919	64065	64222	11900	5129	4927	1003	908	2865	2537	70853	1462	24

NAME OF CHARGE	Baptisms: Adults Baptized	Baptisms: Children Baptized	Bap. Ch'ld'n under inst.	Prep. Mem.: Received during yr.	Prep. Mem.: Now on Roll	Full Members: Full M'b'rs on Roll	Full Members: Deaths during yr.	Full Members: Non-resid'nt Members	Sunday Sch'ls.	Officers and Teachers	Total Enroll-m'nt all depts.	Senior Members	Junior Members	Church Bldgs.	Estimated Val. Land & Bldgs	Parsonages	Estimated Val. Land & Bldgs	Paid for bldg. & Imp. on Chs. & Parsonages	Paid on old Ind'bt'ss, Chs. & Prs'nages	Pr's'nt Debt on Churches and Parsonages	Current Expenses	Rec'd this year	Rec'd for Quadrennium.	Bal. due for Quadrennium.	No.
Alzada Circuit																									1
Ashland Circuit						20			1	5	25			1		1		1829		200	445				2
Baker	2	12		8	6	57	12		1	10	130	25			300	1	2800	275			563				3
Billings	28			110		1200	250		1	60	1060	40		1	80000	1	5000			7927	6000				4
Bloomfield Circuit						51	12		1	8	34					1	950								5
Bozeman	15	3	8	110	2	361	68	4	1	24	250	58	23	1	12500	1	2000	626			3738	54	14	40	6
Bridger and Fromberg	1	5		1	1	93	5	1	3	20	240			3	12000	1	2500	400			300				7
Clyde Park	4	5	10	4		53	19	1	1	8	85	18	30	1	1500	1	3500	225		1900	174				8
Comanche Circuit	3	3		3	5	34	8		1	9	44			1	1800	1	1200	26			40		8		9
Edwards Circuit																									10
Fairview	10	11	16	11	16	114	10		2	18	165	80	70	2	4000	1	1400	860		415	211				11
Forsyth		6	4	10	7	135	30	2	1	14	179	14		1	4000	1	3000				3000				12
Fish Tail Circuit																									13
Glendive	8	9	18	11	18	187	27		2	33	324	45	25	1	2500	1	4000	475			2582	24	6	18	14
Hardin	8	12		21	21	95	17		2	27	236			1	9000	1	9000	3575		5800					15
Huntley Circuit		1	17	17	19	140	17	1	3	46	333		18	3	10700	1	3000	350	200	250	1600				16
Ingomar Circuit				10	10	40			1	6	50	40		1	1000				442		50				17
Joliet Circuit				11		16			2	17	92			2											18
Laurel		2		28		76	5		1	14	134	30	60	1	10000	1	150			500	200				19
Livingston	2	20		9	30	265	25	4	1	18	300	40	22	1	15000	1	2000	300	650		946		6		20
Miles City	26	10	10	19	19	255	75	3	1	19	263	50		1	35000	1	5000	5500	1500	7000	2878				21
Park City and Reed Point		4	4	3	3	24	6		1	8	111			2	1800	1	1200				100				22
Pine Creek (Livingston P. O.)		8				62	4		2	15	90	24		1	3500	1	2000	60			1710		5		23
Red Lodge	4	10				135		1	1	14	150	18		1	4000	1	3000	25	128		427		30		24
Red Lodge Circuit		2				17			1	20				2	2000								11		25
Richey Circuit		4		8		17		3	1	5	65	33		1	2000			175			30				26
Sidney	12	7	15	19	25	114	10		1	12	112	34			2000	1	6000	50		1300	2525		20		27
Sioux Pass																									28
Wibaux	15	7				40		1	1	11	79	9		1	5000	1	1500	100		4000	150		1		29
Wilsall						88	5		4	40	312	50		1	1750		250				2250				30
Totals for 1920	138	141	102	413	182	3689	605	21	38	480	4863	608	248	31	221350	21	59450	14861	2920	29292	29719	78	101	58	31
Totals for 1919	81	141	52	199	75	3529	513	43	43	460	4135	634	265	35	241650	23	48100	3481	6843	20054	27751	155	137		32
Increase	57		50	223	107	160	92			20	428						11350	11330		9238	1968				33
Decrease								22	5			26	17	4	20300	2			3923			77	36		34

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Butte	86	270	115	419	339	3600	368	42	50	484	5326	500	402	49	295850	30	84850	15960	2119	6625	21042	200	117	119	1
Yellowstone	138	141	102	413	182	3689	605	21	37	466	4588	608	248	31	221350	21	59450	14860	2920	29292	29719	78	101	58	2
Grand Totals, 1920	224	411	217	832	521	7289	973	63	87	950	9914	1108	650	80	517200	51	144300	30820	5039	35917	50761	278	218	177	3
Grand Totals, 1919	168	369	232	465	288	7017	787	96	91	943	9788	1268	565	81	515600	51	116550	10590	11842	23314	48950	351	264		4
Increase	56	42		367	233	272	186			7	126		85		1600		27750	20230		12603	1811			177	5
Decrease			15					33	4			160		1					6803			73	46		6

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—BUTTE DISTRICT.

List No.	NAME OF CHARGE	SUNDAY SCHOOLS															List No.
		Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Sch'l'rs, not inc. H. Dep. C. R'll	Members in Home Dept.	Children on Cradle Roll	Total Enrollm't all Depts.	Avg. Attendance all Grds.	Offic'rs, Tchrs, Mbrs. or Prob.	Scholars, Mbrs. or Probat'n'rs.	M'mb'rs S. S. Converted	Accessions fr'm Sun. School	Collections Church	Collections Sun. Schools	Collections Mis. Offering	S. S. Exp. Les. L'r's Bks, etc.	
1	Anaconda	1	27	275		40	342	186	27	130	25	8		22		297	1
2	Avon	No Sunday School															2
3	Big Blackfoot	4	12	63			75	60	10	9	6	8					3
4	Butte: Grace	1	15	172		18	205	128	15	20					10	292	4
5	Butte: Italian Mission	1	2	35			37	14	2							12	5
6	Butte: Mount Bethel and Wesley	2	23	150	20	8	201	95	23		39	25				125	6
7	Butte: Mountain View	1	35	400	115	122	672	275	34	300	60	45				623	7
8	Butte: Trinity	1	18	190		25	233	125	12	30	30	30				195	8
9	Butte: Unity and Silver Bow	2	24	276		20	320	175	18	75	10	18				200	9
10	Clancy and Jefferson	1	5	45			45	20	4	4	3					45	10
11	Dillon	1	29	213		23	265	149	21	86	47	47		152		188	11
12	Dillon Circuit	6	18	120			120										12
13	Drummond and Hall	3	12	125		5	142	85	12	39	3	3	10		5	80	13
14	Hamilton	1	20	120		19	120	62	18	25	5		1	1		50	14
15	Helena: Oakes Street	1	14	82	30	21	147	73	14	32						95	15
16	Helena: St. Paul's	1	20	250	20	15	285	170	22	200	16	14				600	16
17	Lolo Circuit																17
18	Meadow Creek	3	16	69			85	70	9	15	7	5				50	18
19	Missoula	2	47	450	49	26	572	357	47	318	64	63		48		612	19
20	Philipsburg	1	13	85	8	22	128	50	11	16	8	4				74	20
21	Ronan	2	18	122	5	12	157	74	13	10		2				153	21
22	St. Ignatius	3	19	132		12	144	78	7							120	22
23	Sheridan and Ruby	2	11	123			123	78	11	35	8	6			8	128	23
24	Stevensville	1	6				80	50	6	50	12	12				62	24
25	Superior and Alberton	2	18	130		12	160	80	10	10	2	5			6	65	25
26	Thompson and Plains	4	25	230			255	140	24	41						137	26
27	Three Forks	1	10	81			92	54	10	8						40	27
28	Townsend and Radersburg	2	15	125		25	150	100	75	25	18	18				80	28
29	Twin Bridges	1	9	55		15	79	37	7	9						65	29
30	Whitehall	3	16	154		14	184	120	9	28	6	4				75	30
31	Winston and Marysville	2	7	58			65	38	7	13	5	5				62	31
32	Totals for 1920	56	504	4330	247	445	5483	2943	478	1528	374	322	11	223	29	4525	32
33	Totals for 1919	54	501	4210	281	474	5405	2810	412	1265	283	165	241	239	62	3250	33
34	Increase	2	3	120			78	133	66	263	91	157				1275	34
35	Decrease				34	29							230	16	33		35

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		Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Sch'lrs. not inc. H. Dep. C. R'll	Members in Home Dept.	Children on Cradle Roll	Total Enrollm't all Depts.	Avg. Attendance all Grds.	Offic'rs, Tchrs. Mbrs. or Prob.	Scholars, Mbrs. or Probat'rs	M'mbrs S. S. Converted	Accessions fr'm Sun. School	Collections Church	Collections Sun. Schools	Collections Mis. Offering	S. S. Exp. Les. L'v's Bks. etc.	
1	Alzada Circuit																1
2	Ashland Circuit	1	5	20	5		25	20	5								2
3	Baker	1	10	115		15	130	76	8		10	2				80	3
4	Billings	2	60	600	200	200	1060	300			60	60					4
5	Bloomfield Circuit	1	8	26			34	19	8	7						15	5
6	Bozeman	1	24	200		50	250	148	24	160	16	16		30	30	226	6
7	Bridger and Fromberg	2	20	220			240	150	10	25		4				225	7
8	Clyde Park	1	8	65		10	85	46	4	10	2	2				80	8
9	Comanche Circuit	1	8	40		4	44	30	8	14	3	3	2			13	9
10	Edwards Circuit																10
11	Fairview	2	18	142		15	165	116	14	92	11	11		5		77	11
12	Forsyth	1	14	150		15	179	100	14	10		4			16	150	12
13	Fishtail Circuit																13
14	Glendive	2	33	240		84	324	204	26	58	11	11				269	14
15	Hardin	2	27	220			236	140	23	50	34	34				237	15
16	Huntley Circuit	3	46	250		34	333	250	45	75	15	10				110	16
17	Ingomar Circuit	1	6	50			50	40	6	25	10	10				30	17
18	Joliet Circuit	2	17	75			92										18
19	Laurel	1	14	100		20	134	68	14	40	13					90	19
20	Livingston	1	18	245	11	44	300	150	17	83	30	30				160	20
21	Miles City	1	19	223	15	25	263	200	19	19	36	36	7	22			21
22	Park City and Reed Point	1	8	103			111	40	4	4	3	5				55	22
23	Pine Creek	2	15	75			90	40	11	40					3	55	23
24	Red Lodge	1	14	150			150	88	14	34	19	19				105	24
25	Red Lodge Circuit	1	20	136													25
26	Richey Circuit	1	5	60			65	40	5	20	20					35	26
27	Sidney	1	12	112			112	82	11	41	19	19				85	27
28	Sioux Pass																28
29	Wibaux	1	11	68			79	45	11	20	20	15				45	29
30	Wilsall	4	40	294		18	312	153	20	88			6			220	30
31	Totals for 1920	38	480	3979	231	534	4863	2544	321	915	312	296	15	57	49	2362	31
32	Totals for 1919	43	460	3677	298	567	4478	2451	366	1354	175	141	112	41	128	2596	32
33	Increase		20	300			385	94			37	151		16			33
34	Decrease	5			57	33			45	439			97		79	234	34

TREASURER'S REPORT, BUTTE DISTRICT—MONTANA CONFERENCE FOR 1920

List No.	NAME OF CHARGE	Disciplinary Benevolences						Other Benevolences							Other Cash Items					Grand Total	List No.
		Centenary	Bd. Edu. Children's day fund	Woman's For. Miss. Society	W. H. M. S. Cash	W. H. M. S. Supplies	Total Dis. Benevolences	Edu. End'wm'ts Bldgs., etc.	Hospital	Mont. Deac'n'ss School	Miss. Policy of Epw. League	Montana Children's Home	Other Benevolences	Total Benevolences	Cont. Off. Exp. of Epw. L.	Support of Dist. Supt.	Support of Bishops	Support of Conf. Cl'm'nts	Gen. Conf. Expenses		
1	Anaconda	2310	28	157	52		2547	681		5	31		45	762	4	180	36	108	12	3649	1
2	Avon	145					145			266				266		10	6	18		445	2
3	Big Blackfoot	55					55	25					17	42		15			4	116	3
4	Butte: Grace	963	7	42			1012	45	50	750	12		31	888		150	30	90	8	2178	4
5	Italian Mission	33					33													33	5
6	Mt. Bethel and Wesley	355	5				360	100		250				350		74	15	35		834	6
7	Mountain View	4141	20	949	215		5325	260	132	760				1152		270	57	165		6969	7
8	Trinity	585	5				590	5	50	250	25			330		120	24	60		1124	8
9	Unity and Silver Bow	486		1			487	55	66	200	20			341		140	28	84	5	1085	9
10	Clancy and Jefferson	185					185	10		110			91	211		30	7	24		457	10
11	Dillon	1721	18	209	12		1960	1445		1045			13	2503	1	200	40	120		4824	11
12	Dillon Circuit																				12
13	Drummond and Hall	670	11	3	3		687	655	10	253	16		25	959	2	120	24	60	5	1857	13
14	Hamilton	607		133			740	32		702				734	8	100	20	60		1662	14
15	Helena: Oakes Street	498		17			515	182						182		80	16	40		833	15
16	St. Paul's	2074	20	560	156		2810	9411		370	116	5		9902	10	240	48	144	24	13178	16
17	Lolo Circuit																				17
18	Meadow Creek	132	4				136	25					294	319		62	12	38		567	18
19	Missoula	3460	25	125	320		3930	481		710			267	1458		240	54	120	8	5810	19
20	Philipsburg	335	3				338	1		200		6	16	223		70	13	42	8	694	20
21	Ronan	211	7				218	50						50		45	12	36	6	367	21
22	St. Ignatius	425					425									30	10	20		485	22
23	Sheridan and Ruby	411					411	2		287			20	309		80	8	20		828	23
24	Stevensville	1124	4				1128		10	470			150	630	4	80	17	49		1908	24
25	Superior and Alberton	262					262	10						10		72	14	43	12	413	25
26	Thompson and Plains	312					312	25		365				390		50	5	20		777	26
27	Three Forks	93					93			100				100		40	12	36		281	27
28	Townsend and Radersburg	611					611	75						75		120	24	72		902	28
29	Twin Bridges	435					435	95						95		88	17	52		687	29
30	Whitehall	362	5				367	449		150				599		80	16	27		1089	30
31	Winston and Marysville	226	2				228					6		6		25	4	24	4	291	31
32	Totals for 1920	23227	164	2196	758		26345	14119	318	7243	220	17	969	22886	29	2811	569	1607	96	54345	32
33	Totals for 1919	13801	146	2186	472	333	16932	10097	724	1570	186	32	7967	21484	40	2599	477	1440	137	43088	33
34	Increase	9426	18	10	286		9413	4022		5673	34			1402		212	92	167		11257	34
35	Decrease					333			406			15	6998		11				31		35

TREASURER'S REPORT, YELLOWSTONE DISTRICT—MONTANA CONFERENCE FOR 1920

List No.	NAME OF CHARGE	Disciplinary Benevolences						Other Benevolences							Other Cash Items					Grand Total	List No.
		Centenary	B'd Edu. Children's day fund	Woman's For. Miss. Society	W. H. M. S. Cash	W. H. M. S. Supplies	Total Dis. Benevolences.	Edu. End'wm'ts Bldgs., etc.	Hospital	Mont. Deac'n'ss School	Miss. Policy of Epw. League.	Montana Children's Home.	Other Benevolences.	Total Benevolences.	Cent. Off. Exp. of Epw. L.	Support of Dist. Supt.	Support of Bishops	Support of Conf. Cl'm'nts	Gen. Conf. Expenses		
1	Alzada Circuit																				1
2	Ashland Circuit																				2
3	Baker	316	4				320	50					15	65		100	16	60		561	3
4	Billings	1830		430	319	25	2604	239						239		300	61	180		3324	4
5	Bloomfield Circuit																				5
6	Bozeman	2087	10	300			2397	520	11108	187	60		70	11945	6	210	53	137	14	14762	6
7	Bridger and Fromberg	943					943	325	20	30				375		190	38	114		1660	7
8	Clyde Park	309	5				314									85	17	53		469	8
9	Comanche Circuit	214	9				223	29	2				19	50		33	7	20	8	341	9
10	Edwards Circuit																				10
11	Fairview	271					271	10	35				8	53	2	80	8	7		421	11
12	Forsyth	1200					1200	1250						1250		120	30	72		2672	12
13	Fishtail Circuit																				13
14	Glendive	1072		74	80		1226		42	100		5	55	202	22	180	36	108		1774	14
15	Hardin	235					235	15						15		150				400	15
16	Huntley Circuit	562					562	60						60		57	24	60		763	16
17	Ingomar Circuit	75					75	5						5						80	17
18	Joliet Circuit																				18
19	Laurel	392	11				403	190						190		40	5	12		650	19
20	Livingston	1200	7	211			1418	15	31	460	15		7	528	4	150	30	90	6	2226	20
21	Miles City	1636					1636	765	46				35	846	6	210	42	126	10	2876	21
22	Park City and Reed Point	121					121									70	11	30		232	22
23	Pine Creek	181					181				15			15		120	30	72	5	423	23
24	Red Lodge	852					852	16						16	1	120	24	72	30	1115	24
25	Red Lodge Circuit	312					312									45	9	27	11	404	25
26	Richey Circuit															38				38	26
27	Sidney	545	5				550	10	1000					1010		150	30	90	20	1850	27
28	Sioux Pass																				28
29	Wibaux	12					12									50			1	63	29
30	Wilsall	100				2	102								2	110	20	60		294	30
31	Totals for 1920	14465	51	1015	399	27	15957	3499	12284	777	90	5	209	16864	43	2608	491	1380	105	37474	31
32	Totals for 1919	10337	52	992	211	33	11625	7960	56522	619	233	66	79	64479	50	2410	436	1131	152	81116	32
33	Increase	4128		23	188		4332			158			130			298	55	249			33
34	Decrease		1			6		3461	44238		143	59		47615	7				47	43642	34

RECAPITULATION, MONTANA CONFERENCE FOR 1920

1	Yellowstone	14465	51	1015	399	27	15957	3499	12284	777	90	5	209	16864	43	2608	491	1390	105	37454	1
2	Butte	3227	164	2196	758		26345	14119	318	7243	220	17	969	22886	29	2811	569	1609	96	54345	2
3	Totals for 1920	37692	215	3211	1157	27	42302	17618	12602	8020	310	22	1178	39750	72	5419	1060	2999	201	91799	3
4	Totals for 1919	24126	198	3178	683	366	28551	18057	57246	2189	419	98	8046	86963	90	5009	913	2545	279	124204	4
5	Increase	13560	17	33	474		13751			5831						410	147	454			5
6	Decrease					339		439	44644		109	76	6868	47213	18				78	32405	6

XIII Miscellaneous

GOVERNING LAWS

Articles of Incorporation of the Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Montana.

EXHIBIT "A".

"Resolved, That the Trustees of this Conference, to-wit: L. H. Mickel, S. A. Oliver and Jacob Mills, be and are hereby authorized to incorporate this Conference, and for that purpose to file with the proper officer articles of incorporation, as required by law."

We, the President and Secretary of the Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Montana, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Montana, at a regular meeting thereof, held in the city of Helena, Mont., on the twenty-sixth of August, 1910, and we do further certify that said resolution was adopted by the unanimous vote of the members of said Conference then present.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this twenty-sixth day of August, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and ten.

ROBERT McINTYRE, President.

Attest: GEO. D. KING, Secretary.

State of Montana, County of Lewis and Clark—ss.

We, L. H. Mickel, S. A. Oliver and Jacob Mills, Trustees of the Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Montana, do by these presents, pursuant to and in conformity with the laws of the State of Montana, and pursuant to, and as authorized by a resolution, duly passed and adopted by said Conference, a certified copy of which resolution is hereto attached marked "Exhibit A", and hereby referred to as and made a part thereof, and for the purpose of incorporating said Conferencee agree upon and adopt the following:

Articles of Incorporation.

First: The name of said corporation is hereby declared to be THE CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF MONTANA.

Second: The purposes for which said corporation is organized are to supervise, superintend and promote the organization, co-operation, activities, maintenance, and work of local churches and organizations of the Methodist Episcopal Church within the boundaries and

jurisdiction of said Conference as now established, and as the same may from time to time be established, changed, modified, and maintained; to maintain, carry on, and conduct the preaching and dissemination of the gospel of Jesus Christ within the boundaries and jurisdiction of said Conference, and throughout the world, and to that end co-operate with other conferences, associations, and institutions; to establish, erect, maintain, carry on and conduct and aid in establishing, erecting, maintaining, carrying on, and conducting schools, colleges, universities, hospitals, and other eleemosynary, benevolent, charitable, and religious institutions and enterprises; to receive devises, bequests, legacies, donations, and funds and accept and discharge trusts and agencies for or on behalf of, or in aid of, any and all such or similar institutions, enterprises, and causes, and generally to do and perform any and all things that may be convenient or proper in promoting, maintaining and furthering all benevolent, charitable, and religious works, enterprises and measures authorized or that may be authorized by the general or local laws, rules, and regulations of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and to purchase or otherwise acquire, and to sell, or otherwise dispose of, and encumber such property, real, personal, and mixed, as may from time to time be necessary, proper, or convenient for the purpose or any of the purposes aforesaid.

Third: The number of trustees of said corporation for the first year of the corporate existence of such corporation is three.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We hereunto set our hands the twenty-sixth day of August, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and ten.

L. H. MICKEL,
S. A. OLIVER,
JACOB MILLS.

State of Montana.

County of Lewis and Clark.

On this twenty-sixth day of August, in the year nineteen hundred and ten, before me, Massena Bullard, a Notary Public for the State of Montana, personally appeared L. H. Mickel, S. A. Oliver, and Jacob Mills, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Notarial Seal, the day and year in this certificate first above written.

MASSENA BULLARD,

Notary Public for the State of Montana, residing at Helena, Mont. My commission expires January 23, 1912.

BY-LAWS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF MONTANA

Article I.

The Board of Trustees—The Board of Trustees, after the first year, shall number not less than three nor more than seven, all of whom reside within the bounds of the said Conference and shall be over twenty-one years of age, a majority of whom shall be members of the said Conference; the minority shall be lay members of the said church; all of whom shall be chosen by the Annual Conference of the said Church. The financial and secular business of the corporation shall be under their management.

Article II.

Officers of the Board of Trustees—The officers of the Board of Trustees shall consist of a President, Secretary, and Treasurer, all of whom shall be elected annually by ballot at the first meeting of the Board of Trustees after election of members by the Annual Conference and whose term of office will terminate at the election and qualification of their successors.

Article III.

Duties of Officers—Section 1. It shall be the duty of the President to preside when present at all meetings of the Board of Trustees, appoint committees, call special meetings of the Board of Trustees as occasion may require, sign orders on the Treasurer for the payment of money and during the interim between meetings have general supervision of the affairs of the Board of Trustees, and to execute all legal papers on behalf of the corporation as provided by law.

Sec. 2. The duties of the Vice-President shall be to preside at all meetings of the Board of Trustees in the absence of the President and perform all other duties of the President in his absence.

Sec. 3. The duties of the Secretary shall be to keep a correct journal of the proceedings of all meetings of the Board of Trustees in a record book provided for that purpose and to take charge of and preserve all papers and documents belonging to his office, and to attest all legal papers of the corporation. He shall deliver to his legal successor or to the Board of Trustees when requested all books and papers of the corporation. He shall deliver to his legal successor or to the Board of Trustees when requested all books and papers in his possession belonging to said Board.

Sec. 4. The duties of the Treasurer shall be to receive and take charge of, under the direction of the Board of Trustees, all moneys received by the corporation and to pay out the same on the order of the President. He shall also keep an account of all moneys received by him, showing from what source received, and of all moneys paid out by him and render a full report of the transactions of the financial condition of his office to the Board of Trustees at its annual

meeting, and at such other times as he may be directed by said board. He shall furnish, if required, by the Board of Trustees, before receiving any of the funds of the Conference, a fidelity bond in such amount as the Board of Trustees may direct from time to time, to cover the faithful performance of his duties. These bonds shall be made payable to the Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Montana, and shall be executed by some responsible bonding company approved by the Board of Trustees, and the cost of said bonds shall be paid by this corporation. All moneys received by the Treasurer shall be deposited forthwith by him in some bank or other institution of deposit, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees and he shall furnish a certified duplicate certificate of deposit to the chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board of Trustees for each deposit as soon as made.

RULES OF THE MONTANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

The Duties of the President.

1. The President shall see that all business pertaining to the Conference shall be brought forward and conducted in a proper manner, according to the provisions of the Discipline and Rules of the Conference.

2. He shall preserve order in all proceedings; and in debates shall keep the speakers to the question, and call them to order when they wander from the point, or from rules of order, or use any improper language.

3. He shall appoint all committees unless otherwise decided by the Conference, in which case the appointment shall be made by ballot or nomination, at the discretion of the Conference, no member thereof being permitted to nominate more than one person for the same committee.

4. When two or more members shall rise and address the President at the same time, he shall decide which of them is entitled to the floor.

The Duties of the Secretary.

1. The Secretary shall record all answers to questions of law; also rulings made by the President in the transaction of the business of the Conference, and to keep a fair and correct record of its proceedings to be read at the commencement of each session thereafter subject to the correction of the Conference.

2. He shall carefully preserve the journals and papers of the Conference placed in custody, and shall not permit any person but a member to examine the same, nor shall he allow a member to make a transcript from either without the permission of the Conference and he shall also produce the journal and papers at the next annual session of the Conference.

3. He shall also, after the close of the Conference, make an appendix at the end of the journal in which he shall record all documents which shall be ordered by the Conference to be so recorded (the motion on which shall be taken without debate) and documents so recorded shall be referred to on the journal of the Conference.

The Duties and Privileges of Members.

1. Every member who would speak should rise in his place and respectfully address the President, refraining from all personalities and indecorous language; but no member shall speak more than once on the same question (except to explain) until every member choosing shall have spoken; nor longer than fifteen minutes, without permission of the Conference.

2. When a member shall be called to order by the President or any member he shall take his seat until the question be decided by the President; nevertheless, he shall be allowed an appeal to the Conference which shall decide without debate.

3. Any member may call for the division of a question, which shall be granted when, in the judgment of the President, the sense will admit of it; and every member present shall vote on all questions unless excused by the Conference.

Questions to Be Taken Without Debate.

A motion simply to adjourn. Motion to lie on the table.

STANDING RULES.

1. Applicants for admission on trial shall not be over 35 years of age.

2. In view of the increasing number of claimants on our superannuate fund, the District Superintendents shall not encourage the transfer, and the Bishops are respectfully requested not to transfer any men to this Conference who are not in sound health and who are over forty years of age.

3. After September 1, 1912, candidates for admission and trial into full connection and for election to elder's orders must bring up all books to be read and all books studied without condition.

MISCELLANEOUS RULES.

Section 1.

1. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order.

2. When a question has been decided, any member who may have voted in the majority on said question may move for a reconsideration thereof.

3. When the reading of a paper is called for, and the same is objected to by a member, the question shall be determined by a vote of the Conference.

4. A motion may be withdrawn by the mover at any time before decision thereon or amendment thereto.

5. It shall always be in order at any time during the discussion of a proposition before the Conference (except during the examination of character), to move that the question be put without debate, and, if the motion is sustained by two-thirds of the members present and voting, the debate shall at once cease, and the question shall be put.

6. No motion shall be entertained unless seconded, and all motions and resolutions shall be reduced to writing, if desired by the President or Secretary, or any member of the Conference.

7. No matter of business, other than that which pertains to the ordinary business of the Conference, shall be read by the Secretary, until the subject of it is stated by the introducer.

8. When the report of the committee is under consideration, the chairman or a member of the committee selected by the committee or its chairman, shall be entitled to close the debate, and the representative of the committee shall not be deprived of his rights to close the debate even by the ordering of a previous question. If the motion to lay on the table the report, or any part of it, be made, the representative of the committee may elect to speak before that motion is put, or to reserve his right and speak on the final question.

9. The yeas and nays shall be called and recorded on any question on the demand of fifteen members.

10. On the first day of the session at two o'clock the list of appointments shall be called and the preachers in charge requested to report collections to Treasurer and statistical reports to Statistical Secretary, and on the second morning after the approval of the minutes, the names of all who have not reported shall be called, and a proper excuse required.

11. When the call of districts for the passage of character is begun, it shall not be in order to interrupt the call for the transaction of other Conference business until all the districts are completed.

Section 2.

1. In all other preliminary matters not specified in the above rules the Conference shall be governed by the well-settled principles of common parliamentary law and rules of the General Conference, so far as they will apply to this body.

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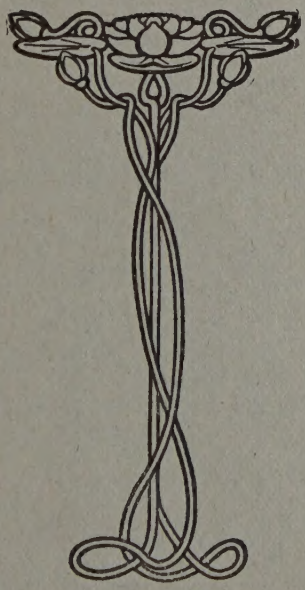

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